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The Honorable Terry Weickum, Mayor City of Rawlins tweickum@rawlins-wyoming.com

Re: Emergency Administrative Order under Section 1431 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, City of Rawlins Water Supply Public Water System, PWS ID #WY5600045, Docket No.

SDWA-08-2022-0011

Dear Mayor Weickum:

Enclosed is an Emergency Administrative Order (Order) issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to the City of Rawlins under section 1431 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300i.

The EPA has determined that conditions exist at the City of Rawlins Water Supply Public Water System (System) that may present an imminent and substantial endangerment to the persons served by the System. The EPA has made this determination based on notification from a customer of the System and the Wyoming Consumer Health Division on March 3, 2022, that the System lost pressure.

Pursuant to the authority set forth in section 1431 of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300i, the EPA is authorized to take actions necessary to protect human health. The Order and its requirements are necessary to ensure adequate protection of public health.

The enclosed Order sets forth the actions that must be taken to ensure that the people served by the System are provided with safe drinking water. The Order requires the City of Rawlins to, among other things, take the following actions: issue a boil water advisory and provide an alternate source of water until notified by the EPA to discontinue; submit a plan and schedule to resolve the pressure loss; disinfect and flush the System; and take additional total coliform bacteria samples.

The penalties for failing to comply are set forth in the Order. If you have any questions or wish to discuss the Order, please contact Steven Latino at (800) 227-8917 extension 6440 or 303-312-6440, or by email at latino.steven@epa.gov. Any questions from counsel should be directed to Mia Bearley, Senior Assistant Regional Counsel, (800) 227-8917, extension 6554, or at (303) 312-6554, or by email at bearley.mia@epa.gov.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Colleen Rathbone, Chief Water Enforcement Branch Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division

Enclosures

cc: WY DEQ/DOH (via email)

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