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T.A. Guest Ranch, Inc. c/o Earl K. Madsen, President P.O. Box 313 Buffalo, WY

> Re: Closure of Emergency Administrative Order T.A. Guest Ranch Water System Docket No. SDWA-08-2011-0047 Former PWS ID # WY5601618

Dear Mr. Madsen:

This letter is to inform you of the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) decision to close the Emergency Administrative Order (Order), Docket No. SDWA-08-2011-0047, issued to T.A. Guest Ranch, Inc. (the Company), as owner of the T.A. Guest Ranch water system (the System), on June 21, 2011.

While EPA's Order was in force and effect, EPA did not receive sufficient information from the Company to determine if the System's water does or does not continue to pose an imminent and substantial endangerment to the health of persons served by the System. However, EPA is closing the Order at this time following deactivation by EPA of the T.A. Guest Ranch system as a "public water system" on January 12, 2012, and since the Order was issued under EPA's public water system-related authority contained in section 1431 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (the Act), 42 U.S. C. § 300i.

If you have any questions about this matter, please call Mario Mérida at 303-312-6297. We urge the Company to continue its efforts aimed at assuring safe water is provided to users of the T.A. Guest Ranch water system.

Sincerely,

Arturo Palomares, Director

Arturo Paromares, Director Water Technical Enforcement Program Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice

cc: Tina Artemis, EPA Regional Hearing Clerk WY DEQ, DOH and DOA – Consumer Protection Services (via e-mail) Kirsten M. Giles, Manager, T.A. Guest Ranch (via e-mail)