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Kuldip Singh grandmasinn82240@gmail.com

Re: Violation of Kuldip Singh Administrative Order, Docket No. SDWA-08-2018-0029 Grandma's Inn Public Water System, PWS ID # WY5600416

Dear Mr. Singh:

The purpose of this letter is to provide notice of violation of the above-referenced Administrative Order (Order) and to provide notice of the EPA's intention to file a complaint seeking civil administrative penalties if the Grandma's Inn Public Water system (System) accrues additional violations of this Order. Specifically, on July 27, 2018, the EPA issued the above-referenced Administrative Order directing Kuldip Singh (Respondent) to comply with the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (Part 141) issued by the EPA under the Safe Drinking Water Act (Act), 42 U.S.C. section 300f, *et seq.* Our records indicate that Respondent is in violation of the Order.

Among other things, the Order included the following requirements (summarized from paragraph 13 on page 2 of the Order), which have not been fulfilled:

• Respondent shall monitor the System's water monthly for total coliform bacteria. If a sample is positive for total coliform, within 24 hours of being notified of the positive result, Respondent shall collect a set of three repeat samples for each total coliform-positive sample. 40 C.F.R. § 141.853-858. Respondent shall report total coliform analytical results to the EPA within the first 10 days following the end of the System's required monitoring period. See 40 C.F.R. § 141.31(a). Respondent shall report any violations of coliform monitoring requirements to the EPA within 10 days of discovering the violation, as required by 40 C.F.R. § 141.861(a)(4).

In other words, Respondent is required to monitor the System's water monthly for total coliform bacteria and failed to monitor the System's water for total coliform bacteria during December 2019 and report it to the EPA by January 10, 2020.

Violation of any part of the Order, the Act, or Part 141 may subject Respondent to a civil penalty of up to \$58,328 (as adjusted for inflation) per day of violation, a court injunction ordering compliance, or both. 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3; 40 C.F.R. part 19; 85 Fed. Reg. at 1754 (January 13, 2020).

Please note that the EPA may choose not to file a complaint seeking a civil administrative penalty if Respondent incurs no additional violations of this Order.

For assistance with actions necessary to ensure compliance with the Order, please contact Christina Carballal via email at carballal-broome.christina@epa.gov or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6046, or (303) 312-6046. If you are represented by an attorney, please ask the attorney to direct any legal questions or comments to Mia Bearley, Senior Assistant Regional Counsel, via email at bearley.mia@epa.gov or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6554, or (303) 312-6554.

We urge your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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

Enclosures

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