

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 8

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Ref: 8ENF-W

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Jamie Mackay, Registered Agent Mackay Investments, LLC 2780 N. Moose Wilson Road Wilson, Wyoming 83014

Re: Administrative Order issued to Jackson Hole Campground Public Water System, PWS ID # WY5600520, Docket No. **SDWA-08-2015-0032**

Dear Mr. Mackay:

Enclosed is an Administrative Order (Order) issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the authority of section 1414(g) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(g). Among other things, the Order alleges that Mackay Investments, LLC (Company), as owner and/or operator of the Jackson Hole Campground Public Water System (System), has violated the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (Drinking Water Regulations) at 40 C.F.R. part 141.

The Order is effective upon the date received. Please review the Order and within 10 days provide the EPA with any pertinent information you believe the EPA may not have (e.g., evidence of any corrections to significant deficiencies that may have been completed, etc.).

If the Company complies with the Order, the EPA may close the Order without further action. Failure to comply with the Order may lead to substantial civil penalties and/or a federal court injunction ordering compliance.

The Small Business Regulatory Enforcement and Fairness Act (SBREFA) may apply to this situation. Enclosed is a small business information sheet, outlining compliance assistance resources available to small businesses and small governments, in case these are relevant. SBREFA does not eliminate the responsibility to comply with the Order or the Drinking Water Regulations.

The Order requires the Company to notify the public of having violated the Drinking Water Regulations. Enclosed please find a public notice template explaining the public notice requirements in more detail.

The Company is required to submit a plan and schedule for returning the System to compliance with the drinking water regulations. The EPA encourages the Company to contact any other governmental agency or agencies that may require approval of the plan and/or schedule prior to modifying the System.".

To submit information, to request paper copies of public notice forms and instructions, or to request an informal conference with the EPA, please contact Mario Mérida at the above address (with the mailcode 8ENF-W) or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6297, or (303) 312-6297. Any questions from the Company's attorney should be directed to Mia Bearley, Enforcement Attorney, who may be reached at the above address (with the mailcode 8ENF-L), by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6554, or (303) 312-6554, or by email at bearley.mia@epa.gov.

We urge your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Arturo Palomares, Director

Water Technical Enforcement Program Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice

Enclosures:

Order SBREFA Information Sheet Public Notice Template

cc:

WY DEQ/DOH (via email)
Tina Artemis, EPA Regional Hearing Clerk
Jamie Mackay, Mackay Investments, LLC (via email)



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CERTIFIED MAIL LETTER
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Teton County Commissioners c/o Barbara Allen, Vice Chair and Interim Chair Post Office Box 3594 Jackson, Wyoming 83001

Re: Notice of Safe Drinking Water Act Enforcement Action against Mackay Investments, LLC, Owner of Jackson Hole Campground Public Water System, PWS ID # 5600520

Dear Commissioners:

The Safe Drinking Water Act requires that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) notify locally elected officials of certain enforcement actions taken in their area.

An Administrative Order (Order) is being issued to Mackay Investments, LLC, as owner and/or operator of the Jackson Hole Campground Public Water System, located in Teton County, Wyoming, directing it to comply with the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations. The violations alleged in the Order include failure to consult with the EPA on corrections for significant deficiencies identified at the System, failure to correct significant deficiencies identified at the System, failure to notify the EPA of certain violations.

For more details, a copy of the Order is enclosed for your information. **The Order does not require** any response or action by the County Commission. If you have any questions regarding this Order, please contact Mario Mérida at (303) 312-6297.

Sincerely,

Arturo Palomares, Director

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Enclosure

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IN THE MATTER OF:	Docket No. SDWA-08-2015-0032	FILED EPA REGION VIII HEARING CLERK
Mackay Investments, LLC,	ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER	
Respondent.		

- 1. This Order is issued under the authority vested in the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) by section 1414(g) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (Act), 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(g), as properly delegated to the undersigned officials.
- 2. Mackay Investments, LLC (Respondent), is a Wyoming corporation that owns and/or operates the Jackson Hole Campground Public Water System (System), which provides piped water to the public in Teton County, Wyoming, for human consumption.
- 3. The System uses a groundwater source supplied by 1 well; the water is untreated.
- 4. The System has approximately 78 service connections and/or regularly serves an average of approximately 170 individuals daily at least 60 days out of the year. Therefore, the System is a "public water system" as defined in section 1401(4) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300f(4), and 40 C.F.R. § 141.2. The System is also a "transient, non-community water system" as defined in 40 C.F.R. § 141.2.
- 5. Respondent is subject to the Act and the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (Drinking Water Regulations) at 40 C.F.R. part 141. The Drinking Water Regulations are "applicable requirements" as defined in section 1414(i) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(i).
- 6. The Drinking Water Regulations include monitoring requirements. The EPA has sent Respondent annual notifications of the specific monitoring requirements that apply to the System.

VIOLATIONS

- 7. Respondent is required to consult with the EPA regarding the appropriate corrective action within 30 days of receiving written notification from the EPA of a significant deficiency. 40 C.F.R. § 141.403(a)(4). Respondent failed to consult with the EPA within 30 days of receiving written notice of significant deficiencies in the EPA's letter dated March 18, 2013, and, therefore, violated this requirement.
- 8. Respondent is required to complete corrective actions to correct significant deficiencies within 120 days of receiving written notification from the EPA of a significant deficiency, or according to a schedule approved by the EPA. 40 C.F.R. § 141.403(a)(5)(i). The EPA advised Respondent of significant deficiencies identified at the System via its letter of March 18, 2013. As of the date of this

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Order, Respondent has not completed all required corrective actions or submitted a proposed schedule for their completion and, therefore, violated this requirement.

- 9. Respondent is required to notify the public of certain violations of the Drinking Water Regulations. 40 C.F.R. §§ 141.201-141.211. Respondent failed to notify the public of the violations cited in paragraph 8, above, and, therefore, violated this requirement.
- 10. Respondent is required to report any failure to comply with any Drinking Water Regulation to the EPA within 48 hours (except where the Drinking Water Regulations specify a different time period). 40 C.F.R. § 141.31(b). Respondent failed to report the violations cited in paragraphs 7 through 9, above, to the EPA and, therefore, violated this requirement.

ORDER

Based on the above violations, Respondent is ordered to perform the following actions upon Respondent's receipt of this Order (unless a different deadline is specified below):

- 11. Within 15 days of receiving this Order, Respondent shall consult with the EPA regarding appropriate corrective actions for addressing the following significant deficiencies AND within 30 days of receipt of this Order submit a written corrective action plan and schedule to the EPA.
 - a) No Emergency Response Plan (reported as corrected by Respondent on February 9, 2015);
 - b) Unprotected, high hazard cross-connection present

Thereafter, Respondent shall consult with the EPA regarding appropriate corrective actions within 30 days of receiving written notice of any significant deficiencies at the System which may be identified by the EPA. 40 C.F.R. §§ 141.403 (a)(4) and 403(a).

- 12. The corrective action plan and schedule required by paragraph 11, above, shall be incorporated into this Order as an enforceable requirement upon written approval by the EPA.
- 13. Respondent shall notify the EPA within 30 days after completion of the corrective actions, as required by 40 C.F.R. § 141.405(a)(2). Respondent shall provide evidence to the EPA, including photographs of completed corrections, as well as the following certification signed by a person of authority in the System, that the above corrective actions have been completed: "I certify under penalty of perjury that Mackay Investments, LLC, has completed corrective actions to address significant deficiencies at the Jackson Hole Campground Public Water System."
- 14. Within 30 days after receipt of this Order, Respondent shall notify the public of the violation cited in paragraph 8, above, following the instructions provided with the public notice templates enclosed with this Order. Thereafter, following any future violation of the Drinking Water Regulations,

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Respondent shall comply with any applicable public notice provisions of 40 C.F.R. part 141, subpart Q. Within 10 days after providing public notice, Respondent shall submit a copy of the notice to the EPA.

- 15. For any future violation of the Drinking Water Regulations for which this Order does not specify a reporting period, Respondent shall report the violation to the EPA within 48 hours of the violation occurring, as required by 40 C.F.R. § 141.31(b). However, if the Drinking Water Regulations specify a different time period for reporting the particular violation, Respondent shall report the violation to the EPA within that different period.
- 16. This Order shall be binding on Respondent, its successors and assigns, and any person (e.g., employee, contractor, or other agent) acting in concert with Respondent.
- 17. If Respondent (a) leases or sells the System to another person or entity, or (b) contracts with or hires any other person or entity to operate the System, Respondent shall, no later than the date of such lease, sale, or other contract, provide a copy of this Order to the lessee, purchaser, or contractor. No later than 10 days thereafter, Respondent shall notify the EPA in writing of the lease, sale, or other contract, with such notification to include the name and contact information of the person who has leased, bought, or contracted to operate the System. Respondent shall remain obligated to comply with this Order even if Respondent leases the System to another person or entity or hires another person or entity to operate the System.
- 18. Respondent shall send all reporting and notifications required by this Order in writing to:

U.S. EPA Region 8 (8P-W-DW) 1595 Wynkoop Denver, Colorado 80202-1129

GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 19. This Order shall not constitute a waiver, suspension, or modification of any requirement of the Act or the Drinking Water Regulations. Issuance of this Order is not an election by the EPA to forgo any civil or criminal action.
- 20. Violation of any part of this Order or the Drinking Water Regulations may subject Respondent to a civil penalty of up to \$37,500 (as adjusted for inflation) per day of violation. 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3; 40 C.F.R. part 19.
- 21. Respondent may seek federal judicial review of this Order pursuant to section 1448(a) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300j-7(a).

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This Order is effective upon receipt by Respondent and will continue to be in effect until closed by the EPA.

Issued: Aug. 5, 2015.

James H. Eppers, Supervisory Attorney

Legal Enforcement Program

Office of Enforcement, Compliance

and Environmental Justice

Arturo Palomares, Director

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U.S. EPA Small Business Resources Information Sheet

The United States Environmental Protection Agency provides an array of resources to help small businesses understand and comply with federal and state environmental laws. In addition to helping small businesses understand their environmental obligations and improve compliance, these resources will also help such businesses find cost-effective ways to comply through pollution prevention techniques and innovative technologies.

Small Business Programs

www.epa.gov/smallbusiness EPA's Office of Small Business Programs (OSBP) advocates and fosters opportunities for direct and indirect partnerships, contracts, and sub-agreements for small businesses and socio-economically disadvantaged businesses.

EPA's Asbestos Small Business Ombudsman

www.epa.gov/sbo or 1-800-368-5888 The EPA Asbestos and Small Business Ombudsman (ASBO) serves as a conduit for small businesses to access EPA and facilitates communications between the small business community and the Agency.

EPA's Compliance Assistance Homepage

www2.epa.gov/compliance This page is a gateway industry and statute-specific environmental resources, from extensive webbased information to hotlines and compliance assistance specialists.

EPA's Compliance Assistance Centers

www.assistancecenters.net EPA's Compliance Assistance Centers provide information targeted to industries with many small businesses. They were developed in partnership with industry, universities and other federal and state agencies.

Agriculture

www.epa.gov/agriculture/

Automotive Recycling www.ecarcenter.org

Automotive Service and Repair ccar-greenlink.org/ or 1-888-GRN-LINK

Chemical Manufacturing

www.chemalliance.org

Construction

www.cicacenter.org or 1-734-995-4911

Education

www.campuserc.org

Food Processing

www.fpeac.org

Healthcare www.hercenter.org

Local Government www.lgean.org

Metal Finishing www.nmfrc.org

Paints and Coatings

www.paintcenter.org

Printing

www.pneac.org

Ports

www.portcompliance.org

Transportation

www.tercenter.org

U.S. Border Compliance and Import/Export Issues

www.bordercenter.org

EPA Hotlines, Helplines and Clearinghouses

www2.epa.gov/home/epahotlines EPA sponsors many free hotlines and clearinghouses that provide convenient assistance regarding environmental requirements. Some examples are:

Clean Air Technology Center (CATC) Info-line

www.epa.gov/ttn/catc or 1-919-541-0800

Superfund, TRI, EPCRA, RMP and Oil Information Center

www.epa.gov/superfund/contacts/ infocenter/index.htm or 1-800-424-9346

EPA Imported Vehicles and Engines Public Helpline

www.epa.gov/otaq/imports or 734-214-4100

National Pesticide Information

www.npic.orst.edu/ or 1-800-858-7378

National Response Center

Hotline to report oil and hazardous substance spills - www.nrc.uscg.mil or 1-800-424-8802

Pollution Prevention Information Clearinghouse (PPIC) - www.epa. gov/opptintr/ppic or 1-202-566-0799

Safe Drinking Water Hotline www.epa.gov/drink/hotline/index.cfm or 1-800-426-4791

Small Business Resources

Stratospheric Ozone Protection Hotline

www.epa.gov/ozone/comments.htm or 1-800-296-1996

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Hotline tsca-hotline@epa.gov or 1-202-554-1404

Small Entity Compliance Guides

http://www.epa.gov/sbrefa/compliance-guides.html EPA publishes a Small Entity Compliance Guide (SECG) for every rule for which the Agency has prepared a final regulatory flexibility analysis, in accordance with Section 604 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA).

Regional Small Business Liaisons

http://www.epa.gov/sbo/rsbl.htm

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Regional Small Business Liaison (RSBL) is the primary regional contact and often the expert on small business assistance, advocacy, and outreach. The RSBL is the regional voice for the EPA Asbestos and Small Business Ombudsman (ASBO).

State Resource Locators

www.envcap.org/statetools

The Locators provide state-specific contacts, regulations and resources covering the major environmental laws.

State Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs (SBEAPs)

www.epa.gov/sbo/507program.htm

State SBEAPs help small businesses and assistance providers understand environmental requirements and sustainable business practices through workshops, trainings and site visits

EPA's Tribal Portal

www.epa.gov/tribalportal/

The Portal provides access to information on environmental issues, laws, and resources related to federally recognized

EPA Compliance Incentives

EPA provides incentives for environmental compliance. By participating in compliance assistance programs or voluntarily disclosing and promptly correcting violations before an enforcement action has been initiated, businesses may be eligible for penalty waivers or reductions. EPA has two such policies that may apply to small businesses:

EPA's Small Business Compliance Policy

www2.epa.gov/enforcement/small-businesses-and-enforcement This Policy offers small businesses special incentives to come into compliance voluntarily.

EPA's Audit Policy

www2.epa.gov/compliance/epas-audit-policy
The Policy provides incentives to all businesses that
voluntarily discover, promptly disclose and expeditiously
correct their noncompliance.

Commenting on Federal Enforcement Actions and Compliance Activities

The Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act (SBREFA) established a SBREFA Ombudsman and 10 Regional Fairness Boards to receive comments from small businesses about federal agency enforcement actions. If you believe that you fall within the Small Business Administration's definition of a small business (based on your North American Industry Classification System designation, number of employees or annual receipts, as defined at 13 C.F.R. 121.201; in most cases, this means a business with 500 or fewer employees), and wish to comment on federal enforcement and compliance activities, call the SBREFA Ombudsman's toll-free number at 1-888-REG-FAIR (1-888-734-3247).

Every small business that is the subject of an enforcement or compliance action is entitled to comment on the Agency's actions without fear of retaliation. EPA employees are prohibited from using enforcement or any other means of retaliation against any member of the regulated community in response to comments made under SBREFA.

Your Duty to Comply

If you receive compliance assistance or submit a comment to the SBREFA Ombudsman or Regional Fairness Boards, you still have the duty to comply with the law, including providing timely responses to EPA information requests, administrative or civil complaints, other enforcement actions or communications. The assistance information and comment processes do not give you any new rights or defenses in any enforcement action. These processes also do not affect EPA's obligation to protect public health or the environment under any of the environmental statutes it enforces, including the right to take emergency remedial or emergency response actions when appropriate. Those decisions will be based on the facts in each situation. The SBREFA Ombudsman and Fairness Boards do not participate in resolving EPA's enforcement actions. Also, remember that to preserve your rights, you need to comply with all rules governing the enforcement process.

EPA is disseminating this information to you without making a determination that your business or organization is a small business as defined by Section 222 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act or related provisions.

Template on Reverse

A system's failure to take corrective action within the required timeframe or be in compliance with a state-approved corrective action plan and schedule for a fecal indicator-positive ground water source sample or significant deficiency under the Ground Water Rule (GWR) is a treatment technique violation and requires Tier 2 notification. You must provide public notice to persons served as soon as practical but within 30 days after you learn of the violation [40 CFR 141.203(b)]. You must issue a repeat notice every three months for as long as the violation persists. Your state may have more stringent requirements for treatment technique violations. Check with your state to make sure you meet all requirements.

If this notice is for failing to address a fecal indicator-positive source sample, a Tier 1 notice for detecting a fecal indicator in the source water should have already been issued. Consider providing the history of the situation in this notice (i.e., what events lead to requiring corrective action) to avoid confusing the public when this second notice is issued.

Noncommunity systems must use one of the following methods [40 CFR 141.203(c)]:

- Posting in conspicuous locations
- Hand or direct delivery
- Mail

You must also use *another* method reasonably calculated to reach others if they would not be reached by the first method [40 CFR 141.203(c)].

If you modify the notice, you must still include all required PN elements from 40 CFR 141.205(a) and leave the mandatory language unchanged (see below).

Mandatory Language

Mandatory language on health effects (from Appendix B to Subpart Q) must be included as written (with blanks filled in) and is presented in this notice in italics with an asterisk on either end.

This template also includes mandatory language encouraging further distribution to persons who may not have received the notice [40 CFR 141.205(d)] and is presented in this notice in italics and with an asterisk on either end. However, if you post the notice such that all possible users have access to the notice, this language is not applicable and can be omitted.

Corrective Action

In your notice, describe corrective actions you are taking. Listed below are some steps commonly taken by water systems with Ground Water Rule treatment technique violations. You can use one or more of the following statements, if appropriate, or develop your own text:

- Although we did not meet our deadline, we are now in consultation with the state to develop a corrective action plan.
- The [source of contamination/significant deficiency] has been identified and addressed.
- We have implemented a short term plan to address the immediate issue while we pursue the long-term solution.

After Issuing the Notice

Make sure to send your state a copy of each type of notice and a certification that you have met all the public notification requirements within ten days after issuing the notice [40 CFR 141.31(d)].

It is a good idea to inform your consumers when the violation has been resolved, especially if you have regular customers. See Template NC-7 for a "problem corrected" notice template.

DRINKING WATER NOTICE

[System] Failed to [Correct a Significant Deficiency/Address a Fecal Indicator-Positive Source Sample] Within Required Time Frame

Our water system [give system name] was required to take action to [correct a significant deficiency/address a fecal-indicator positive source sample] by [give date]. However, we failed to take action by the required date.

What This Means

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified within 24 hours. We do not know of any cases of contamination. However, until the problem is corrected, there is an increased chance that disease-causing organisms could contaminate the water supply.

Inadequately treated water may contain disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches. These symptoms, however, are not caused only by organisms in drinking water. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice.

You may drink the water. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

If you have a severely compromised immune system, have an infant, are pregnant, or are elderly, you may be at increased risk and should seek advice from your health care providers about drinking this water.

Steps We Are Taking

[Describe corrective action.] We expect to have the [significant deficiency/source of fecal contamination] corrected by [give date].

For more information, please contact [name of contact] of [system] at [phone number] or [location/address].

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being sent to you by [system]]. State Water System ID#:
Date distributed:	