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Richard Opper, Director Montana Department of Environmental Quality 1520 E. Sixth Avenue P.O. Box 200901 Helena, MT 59620-0901

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Docket No. SDWA-08-2007-0016

Emmanuel Lutheran Church of Shepherd, MT 5515 Carey Avenue P.O. Box 66 Shepherd, MT 59079 PWS ID# MT0003836

Dear Mr. Opper:

The above referenced public drinking water system has violated certain provisions of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), 42 U.S.C. § 300f, et seq. and the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations at 40 C.F.R. part 141. The violations consist of failure to monitor for bacteriological quality, failure to provide public notice, and failure to notify the State of the violations. Our records, obtained from the Montana Department of Environmental Quality's Public Water Supply Online Query Reports, indicate the violations noted below. Please notify Darcy O'Connor of my staff at (303) 312-6392 within 20 days if your records show any discrepancies with these determinations of violation.

Date of Violation

Violation

Jan - Feb 2002, April 2002, June 2002. October 2002, January 2003, March 2003, May 2003, July 2003, Sep - Oct 2003, December 2003, January 2004 March – April 2004, June 2004, Aug - Oct 2004, Jan – March 2005, May 2005, July 2005, September 2005, November 2005, January 2006, March 2006,

Failure to monitor for bacteriological quality. [40 C.F.R. § 141.21 and ARM Chapter 38, Sub-Chapter 2, Section 17.38.215(1)(b)]

2002 – 2006 Failure

SDWA, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(b).

2002 - 2006

May – June 2006, Aug – Sept 2006

Failure to notify public of violations. [40 C.F.R. § 141.201]

Failure to report the above-referenced violations to the State

This NOTICE OF VIOLATION is issued pursuant to section 1414(a) of the SDWA, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(a). If the State does not commence appropriate enforcement action within 30 days from the receipt of this notification, the EPA is authorized either to issue an Administrative Order under section 1414(g) of the SDWA, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(g) requiring the public water system to comply with the regulations or requirements, or to commence civil action under section 1414(b) of the

[40 C.F.R. §§ 141.21(g)(2) and 141.31(b)]

Please inform EPA of any change in the compliance status of this system. You may wish to confer with my staff to determine the Agency's position concerning this system and to exchange appropriate information. If the State does not commence appropriate enforcement action within 30 days from the receipt of the notification, EPA will proceed with issuance of an administrative order. Our technical contact is Darcy O'Connor at (303) 312-6392.

A copy of this NOTICE OF VIOLATION has been concurrently sent to the system identified above. Also enclosed for the benefit of the System is a copy of EPA's Small Business Regulatory Enforcement and Fairness Act (SBREFA) fact sheet containing information on compliance assistance resources and tools available to small businesses. EPA has agreed to notify small businesses of their right to comment on regulatory enforcement activities at the same time of an EPA enforcement action. SBREFA does not eliminate the responsibility to comply with the SDWA.

Sincerely,

Diane L. Sipe, Director

Water Enforcement Program

Office of Enforcement, Compliance

and Environmental Justice

David J. Janik, Acting Director

Legal Enforcement Program

Office of Enforcement, Compliance

and Environmental Justice

Enclosure: SBREFA Fact Sheet

cc: Ronald Quanbeck, Registered Agent (certified mail/return receipt requested w/Enclosure)

John Arrigo, MT DEQ (w/o Enclosure)



U. S. EPA Small Business Resources

If you own a small business, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) offers a variety of compliance assistance and tools to assist you in complying with federal and state environmental laws. These resources can help you understand your environmental obligations, improve compliance and find cost-effective ways to comply through the use of pollution prevention and other innovative technologies.

Hotlines, Helplines and Clearinghouses

EPA sponsors approximately 89 free hotlines and clearing-houses that provide convenient assistance regarding environmental requirements.

The National Environmental Compliance Assistance Clearinghouse provides quick access to compliance assistance tools, contacts, and planned activities from the U.S. EPA, states, and other compliance assistance providers: http://www.epa.gov/clearinghouse

Pollution Prevention Clearinghouse http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/library/ppicindex.htm

EPA's Small Business Ombudsman Hotline can provide a list of all the hot lines and assist in determining the hotline best meeting your needs: (800) 368-5888

Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act (800) 424-9346

National Response Center (to report oil and hazardous substance spills) (800) 424-8802

Toxics Substances and Asbestos Information (202) 554-1404

Safe Drinking Water (800) 426-4791

Stratospheric Ozone and Refrigerants Information (800) 296-1996

Clean Air Technology Center (919)541-0800

Wetlands Helpline (800) 832-7828

EPA Websites

EPA has several Internet sites that provide useful compliance assistance information and materials for small businesses. If you don't have access to the Internet at your business, many public libraries provide access to the Internet at minimal or no cost.

EPA's Home Page

http://www.epa.gov

Small Business Assistance Program http://www.epa.gov/ttn/sbap

Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance http://www.epa.gov/compliance

Compliance Assistance Home Page http://www.epa.gov/compliance/assistance

Office of Regulatory Enforcement http://www.epa.gov/compliance/civil/index.html

Office of Site Remediation Enforcement http://www.epa.gov/compliance/cleanup

Innovative Programs for Environmental Performance http://www.epa.gov/partners

Small Business Ombudsman www.sba.gov/ombudsman

Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance: http://www.epa.gov/compliance