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Raymond Parker Jr., Chairman  
Chippewa Cree Tribal Council  
RR1, P.O. Box 544  
Box Elder, MT 59521

RE: Emergency Administrative Order  
Docket No. SDWA-08-2010-0053  
Rocky Boy's Water Resources Department  
Newtown Water System  
PWS ID #083090004

Dear Chairman Parker:

On June 22, 2010, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued an Emergency Administrative Order (Order) under section 1431 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (the Act), 40 U.S.C. § 300i, to the Rocky Boy's Water Resources Department (Water Resource Department) as owner and/or operator of the Newtown public water system (the system). This letter confirms the verbal and e-mail notices provided to Jay Eagleman, Director of Water Resources, by Barbara Burkland of EPA, on July 20, 2010, regarding reduced monitoring and rescission of the public notification (boil order) and alternate water source requirements under the Order.

Additionally this letter serves as written notice that effective July 20, 2010, pursuant to the Order, daily bacteriological monitoring in the distribution system is no longer required and may be reduced to weekly monitoring (one sample per week). This notice is based on bacteriological monitoring conducted on July 13, 14, and 15, 2010, which were analyzed as total coliform-negative. Weekly bacteriological monitoring shall be conducted until the Water Resources Department is notified by EPA that sampling may be reduced to monthly.

The system may discontinue the public notice required by the Order and the provisioning of an alternative potable water supply at this time. The system is required to comply with all other provisions of the Order. Penalties for failing to comply are set forth in the Order.



We appreciate the Tribe's and the Water Resource Department's ongoing efforts. If you have any questions regarding this matter, your staff may contact Barbara Burkland, Environmental Scientist, at (406) 457-5009. If the Tribe is represented by an attorney, they may call Amy Swanson, Enforcement Attorney, at (800) 227-8917, ext. 6906, with any legal questions.

Sincerely,



**FOR** Julie DalSoglio, Director  
EPA Region 8, Montana Office

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cc: Jay Eagleman, Director of Water Resources,  
Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation  
Tina Artemis, EPA Regional Hearing Clerk