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Big Valley and Crossed Arrows Improvement District
c/o Wayne McBroom, President
P.O. Box 33
Meeteetse, WY 82433

Re: Administrative Order Violation, Big Valley and Crossed Arrows Improvement District,
PWS ID#5601193, Docket No. SDWA-08-2014-0010

Dear Mr. McBroom:

On March 25, 2014, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued an Administrative Order (Order) ordering the Big Valley and Crossed Arrows Improvement District (District) to comply with the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 300f *et seq.*, and its implementing regulations, the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations, 40 C.F.R. part 141.

As required by the Order, the District submitted a plan and schedule to the EPA to bring the System into compliance with the total coliform maximum contaminant level (MCL) and the plan was completed in June 2014. Our records indicate that the District is in violation of the Order. Among other things, the Order included the following requirement (from item 11 on page 2 of the Order) in which the District is named as Respondent:

The System shall achieve compliance with the total coliform MCL by the final compliance deadline specified in the EPA-approved schedule. If the Respondent's plan fails to achieve permanent compliance, the EPA may order further steps and/or seek penalties for noncompliance.

Monitoring results from the District's System again exceeded the total coliform MCL in both October and November 2014. Within 10 days of receipt of this letter, the District must provide a plan and schedule for the System to maintain consistent compliance with the total coliform MCL.

The EPA is considering additional enforcement action as a result of the District's non-compliance with the Order. Violating an Administrative Order may lead to (1) a penalty of up to \$37,500 per day per violation of the Order, and/or (2) a court injunction ordering compliance.

If you have any questions you may contact Kathelene Brainich at the above address (with the mailcode 8ENF-W), via email at brainich.kathelene@epa.gov; or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6481 or (303) 312-6481. If the District is represented by an attorney who has questions, please ask the attorney to direct any legal questions to Mia Bearley, Enforcement Attorney, who may be reached at the above address (with the mailcode 8ENF-L), 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,



Kimberly Pardue-Welch, Team Leader
Drinking Water Enforcement Program
Office of Enforcement, Compliance
and Environmental Justice

cc: WY DEQ/DOH (via email)
Tina Artemis, EPA Regional Hearing Clerk

