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Wyoming Registered Agent LLC Evergreen Properties LLC 1623 Central Avenue #201 Cheyenne, Wyoming 82001

Kim Auch, Operator Evergreen Properties LLC 6117 Laramie Street #24 Cheyenne, Wyoming 82001

> Re: Administrative Order Violation #2, Evergreen Properties LLC, PWS ID#5600021, Docket No. SDWA-08-2014-0020

Dear Evergreen Properties and Ms. Auch:

On June 30, 2014, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency issued an Administrative Order (Order) ordering Evergreen Properties LLC (LLC) and Randall Spencer, as owner and/or operator of the Evergreen Properties Public Water System (System), to comply with the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), 42 U.S.C. Section 300f <u>et seq.</u>, and its implementing regulations, the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWRs), 40 C.F.R. part 141. Mr. Spencer has been replaced as operator of the System by Ms. Auch.

Our records indicate that the LLC is, again, in violation of the Order. Among other things, the Order included the following requirements (from paragraphs 10 and 12 on page 2 of the Order) in which the LLC and Mr. Spencer are named as Respondents:

1. Respondents shall monitor the System's water for nitrate within 30 days after the date of this Order and quarterly thereafter until notified by the EPA in writing of a different monitoring schedule. 40 C.F.R. § 141.23(d).

The EPA has not received a 2nd quarter (April-June) 2015 nitrate monitoring result. We have nitrate results for March and September 2015.

2. Respondents shall report any violation of the Drinking Water Regulations to the EPA within 48 hours of the violation occurring, as required by 40 C.F.R. § 141.31(b).

Respondent did not report the nitrate monitoring violation cited above to the EPA.

The EPA is considering additional enforcement action as a result of the LLC'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 1-800-227-8917, extension 6481, or (303) 312-6481, or via email at <u>brainch.kathelene@epa.gov</u>. If the LLC is represented by an attorney who has questions, please ask the attorney to direct any legal questions to Mia Bearley, Enforcement Attorney, at 1-800-227-8917, extension 6554 or (303) 312-6554, or via email at <u>bearley.mia@epa.gov</u>.

We urge your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Brane well

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

cc: Gale Medlin, Owner, Evergreen Properties (via email) WY DEQ/DOH (via email) Tina Artemis, EPA Regional Hearing Clerk

