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<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ms. Laura Ladd Mr. Dylan King GT Halpin Family Holdings, LLC P.O. Box 610 Jackson, Wyoming 83001

Re: Administrative Order Addendum, LCRH20, LLC Public Water System, PWS ID #5600500, Docket # SDWA-08-2019-0036

Dear Mr. King and Ms. Ladd:

This is an Addendum to the Emergency Administrative Order (Order) issued on August 2, 2019, to Laura Ladd, Dylan King, and GT Halpin Family Holdings, LLC (Respondents). The purpose of this letter is to approve and document the LCRH20, LLC Public Water System's August 27, 2019, schedule for coming into compliance with the *E. coli* maximum contaminant level (MCL). The revised schedule is hereby incorporated into the Order pursuant to paragraph 20 (page 3) of the Order. Each milestone is an enforceable provision of the Order.

Actions Completion Dates

Backflow Prevention Devices Installed on Utilized Threaded Outdoor Faucets	8/10/2019
Twice Weekly Testing of Water Samples with Teton County Begins (Ongoing)	8/12/2019
Backflow Prevention Devices Installed on all Threaded Outdoor Faucets	8/27/2019
Backflow Prevention Device Installed on New Irrigation Line	8/29/2019
Missing Bolts on Well Cap of Well #2 Installed and Tightened for Competent Seal	8/29/2019
New Sample Siting Plan	9/1/2019
Send documentation (i.e. photos) of all the completed actions to EPA	9/26/2019

Within 10 days after completing all steps included in the above schedule, notify the EPA of the project's completion as required by the Order. The Order also requires you to achieve and maintain compliance with the *E. coli* MCL by the final date specified in the approved schedule. The EPA is authorized to seek penalties if these deadlines are not met. If the Respondents have a reasonable basis to believe they may be unable to meet any deadline in the schedule, they shall notify the EPA well in advance of the scheduled deadline to request an extension. The EPA may, in its discretion, consider granting an extension.

Please contact Nathan Hicks, at (303) 312-6546 or via email at <a href="mailto:hicks.nathaniel@epa.gov">hicks.nathaniel@epa.gov</a> if you have any questions concerning this Addendum.

Sincerely,

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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.

## Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU)

www.epa.gov/aboutepa/about-officesmall-and-disadvantaged-businessutilization-osdbu

EPA's OSBBU advocates and advances business, regulatory, and environmental compliance concerns of small and socio-economically disadvantaged businesses.

# EPA's Asbestos Small Business Ombudsman (ASBO)

www.epa.gov/resources-smallbusinesses/asbestos-small-businessombudsman or 1-800-368-5888

The EPA ASBO serves as a conduit for small businesses to access EPA and facilitates communications between the small business community and the Agency.

# Small Business Environmental Assistance Program

https://nationalsbeap.org

This program provides a "one-stop shop" for small businesses and assistance providers seeking information on a wide range of environmental topics and statespecific environmental compliance assistance resources.

# EPA's Compliance Assistance Homepage

www.epa.gov/compliance

This page is a gateway to industry and statute-specific environmental resources, from extensive web-based information to hotlines and compliance assistance specialists.

# Compliance Assistance Centers www.complianceassistance.net

EPA sponsored Compliance Assistance Centers provide information targeted to industries with many small businesses. They were developed in partnership with

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# Agriculture

www.epa.gov/agriculture

# **Automotive Recycling**

www.ecarcenter.org

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

# Chemical Manufacturing

www.chemalliance.org

## Construction

www.cicacenter.org

### Education

www.campuserc.org

# **Food Processing**

www.fpeac.org

# Healthcare

www.hercenter.org

#### **Local Government**

www.lgean.org

### **Surface Finishing**

http://www.sterc.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 and Clearinghouses www.epa.gov/home/epa-hotlines

EPA sponsors many free hotlines and clearinghouses that provide convenient assistance regarding environmental requirements. Examples include:

# Clean Air Technology Center (CATC) Info-line

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

# Superfund, TRI, EPCRA, RMP, and Oil Information Center

1-800-424-9346

# **EPA Imported Vehicles and Engines Public Helpline**

www.epa.gov/otaq/imports or 1-734-214-4100

# National Pesticide Information Center www.npic.orst.edu or 1-800-858-7378

National Response Center Hotline to report oil and hazardous substance spills - http://nrc.uscg.mil or 1-800-424-8802

# Pollution Prevention Information Clearinghouse (PPIC) -

www.epa.gov/p2/pollution-prevention-resources#ppic or 1-202-566-0799

# Safe Drinking Water Hotline -

www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinkingwater/safe-drinking-water-hotline or 1-800-426-4791

# Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Hotline

tsca-hotline@epa.gov or 1-202-554-1404

# U.S. Small Business Resources

#### **Small Entity Compliance Guides**

https://www.epa.gov/reg-flex/small-entity-compliance-guides

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

www.epa.gov/resources-small-businesses/epa-regional-office-small-business-liaisons

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)

https://nationalsbeap.org/states/list

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 helps users locate tribal-related information within EPA and other federal agencies.

### **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**

www.epa.gov/enforcement/small-businesses-and-enforcement

#### **EPA's Audit Policy**

www.epa.gov/compliance/epas-audit-policy

# 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.



# EPA Region 8 Drinking Water Unit - Tips for WY and Tribal Systems How to Stay in Compliance with Monitoring Requirements

# **Check your Monitoring Schedule**

- Monitoring and Reporting Requirements (Schedules) are emailed to you in February of each year. This schedule
  notes all contaminants your water system must monitor for, along with the required number of samples,
  sampling point location(s), frequency and timeframe.
- For more detailed info on your Monitoring Schedule, please refer to "What You Need to Do Next with Monitoring Requirements" which can be found at: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/region8-waterops/quick-guide-drinking-water-monitoring-requirements-wyoming-and-tribal-lands-epa">https://www.epa.gov/region8-waterops/quick-guide-drinking-water-monitoring-requirements-wyoming-and-tribal-lands-epa</a>
- Suggestions: Post your Monitoring Schedule on your bulletin board. Note when you must sample on your desk
  or wall calendar. Use a scheduler on your computer (like Outlook) to identify sampling dates and set reminders.
- If you misplace your Monitoring Schedule, a copy can be found on Drinking Water Watch (DWW) or call EPA for a replacement copy.
- Work with your Certified Lab Once you receive your Monitoring Schedule, share it with your lab(s).
- Schedule what bottles you will need for the sampling required for the year and ask for extra Total Coliform Rule (TCR) sample bottles just in case you have a total coliform (TC) positive and need to take repeats or source samples for the Ground Water Rule. It saves time!
- Check to see if your lab will copy EPA when they email you your results. This will save you a step! <u>But</u> ultimately, you are responsible for making sure that EPA receives your sample results.
- Check your email for messages from EPA. Every month EPA sends out a reminder to the administrative contact
  (and others who request to be opted-in) of what chemical (including radiological) samples remain to be
  collected for the monitoring period.
- Use DWW to print out your chemical sample collection form for the pending requirements. It will contain
  information to help your lab understand what to test your samples for.

When to Sample and When to Report Results to EPA - <u>ALWAYS</u> sample as early in the month or monitoring period as you can — on a Monday if possible! This way, if a sample is lost or exceeds a holding time, you will still have time to collect another sample before the weekend or end of the month. This is a super easy way to avoid a violation.

- If the lab is not copying EPA on your sample results, send them in to EPA as soon as you receive them. This way you can avoid getting a violation for Failure to Monitor. *Tip:* TCR results are due by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month following the month you sampled. For all other samples, send results to EPA as soon as you receive them from the lab.
- Samples results can be emailed to: r8dwu@epa.gov or faxed to: 1-877-876-9101

Where to Sample – Take your samples according to your Monitoring Schedule during the correct time period and at the correct location(s). Some samples must be collected at the entry point while others must be collected in the distribution system. Use your approved sampling/monitoring plans for distribution system samples!

**Surface Water Treatment Rule** – For compliance guidance, please refer to the EPA Region 8 SWTR Fact Sheet located at: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/region8-waterops/swtr-fact-sheet-epa-region-8-may-2018">https://www.epa.gov/region8-waterops/swtr-fact-sheet-epa-region-8-may-2018</a>

#### **Total Coliform Rule**

- Anytime you have a E.coli (EC+) sample you must call EPA IMMEDIATELY at 1-800-227-8917 and ask to speak
  with the RTCR Manager. Then take repeat TCR samples, as well as Ground Water Rule source sample(s) (if
  applicable).
- If you have a TC Positive but an E. Coli Negative, follow the 5 steps outlined in "Follow-up to an Unsafe/Total Coliform Positive Sample Tech Tip", which can be found at: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/region8-waterops/addressing-total-coliform-positive-or-ecoli-positive-sample-results-epa-region-8">https://www.epa.gov/region8-waterops/addressing-total-coliform-positive-or-ecoli-positive-sample-results-epa-region-8</a>
- Avoid sampling at new faucets or newly repaired faucets, leaky faucets, outdoor faucets or those faucets
  connected to softeners, hot water heaters, or pressure tanks; setting down the bottle lid or exposing the inside
  of the lid or bottle to anything other than the sample water (do not rinse or remove powder); and rushing your
  sample collection. The TCR samples must be taken at specified locations throughout the distribution system as
  designated by your sampling plans.

## Disinfection Byproducts Rule (DBPR)

- Sample according to your approved monitoring plan you can also find what month(s) you are required to monitor and locations on your Monitoring Schedule.
- Submit your sample results and your LRAA forms (applicable to quarterly sampling) as a package as soon as you receive the results from your lab.
- Complete and submit the TTHM HAA5 OEL Calculator, which can be found on Drinking Water Online at:
   https://www.epa.gov/region8-waterops/reporting-forms-drinking-water-systems-wyoming-and-tribal-lands-epa-region-8#dbpr2, together with your compliance reports if the TTHM or HAA5 MCL is exceeded during any quarter.

Nitrates – This is an acute contaminant. If your nitrate sample result is over 10 mg/L you must take a confirmation sample within 24 hours and call EPA IMMEDIATELY at 303-312-6791.

### Lead and Copper Rule

- Be sure to check your Monitoring Schedule, as lead and copper samples must be collected during certain months. Also, be sure to follow your lead and copper sample siting plan when collecting samples. You must collect samples from approved locations. If you don't have to sample this year, your Monitoring Schedule will tell you that.
- Always collect a first-draw sample from a tap where the water has been standing in the pipes for at least 6 hours. Avoid sample locations that have been vacant for weeks or months. The goal is to sample at homes and taps in these homes that are routinely used. Always follow your monitoring plan.

Other Rules - Check your sample results as soon as you receive them from the lab. If you see any sample has exceeded an MCL or *E. coli* positive, contact EPA immediately.

**Drinking Water Online -** This is where you can find the link to DWW and general info, including: emergencies, what to do if you lose pressure in your system, sanitary survey info, certified lab info, sampling and treatment techniques, reporting forms and instructions, rules and guidance and much more: Be sure to check this very helpful website: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/region8-waterops">https://www.epa.gov/region8-waterops</a>

**Drinking Water Watch** - This online system allows you view data we maintain about your water system(s). The information includes the following:

- size and type of population served
- . contact information
- water system facilities, such as wells, intakes, treatment plant, storage tanks, and distribution
- treatment used
- monitoring schedules
- sampling results reported to EPA
- violations
- plus, even more...

The Public Access Version of DWW (DWWPUB) allows anyone who is interested to view much of the available information for each regulated Public Water System (PWS) in Wyoming and within EPA R8 Tribal Lands, without the need to register or remember passwords. The Public Access Version of DWW can be found at: <a href="https://sdwisr8.epa.gov/Region8DWWPUB/default.jsp">https://sdwisr8.epa.gov/Region8DWWPUB/default.jsp</a>

Emergencies (After Hours) - If you need to report an emergency (flooding or loss of your water source, contamination in your drinking water, loss of pressure in the distribution system, or anything else that could require immediate public notice), after hours call the Region 8 Emergency Hotline at 303-293-1788. Inform the operator that you are a drinking water system in EPA Region 8.