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The Honorable Harlan Baker, Chairman Chippewa-Cree Tribe P.O. Box 544 Rocky Boy Route Box Elder Montana 59521

RE: Closure of Emergency Administrative Order, Rocky Boy's Rural Public Water System, PWS ID #083090075, Docket No. SDWA-08-2017-0006

Dear Chairman Baker:

This letter is to inform you of the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) decision to close the Emergency Administrative Order (Emergency Order) issued on December 23, 2016, to the Chippewa-Cree Tribe (Tribe). The EPA has determined that the Tribe has completed all actions outlined in the Emergency Order and that the water provided by the Rocky Boy's Rural Public Water System (System) no longer presents an imminent and substantial endangerment to persons served by the System. Therefore, EPA will close the Emergency Order at this time.

Please he aware that the Tribe is still required to comply with the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWR), 40 C.F.R. part 141. Violation of the NPDWRs may result in a court-imposed injunction and penalties of up to \$53,907 per day of violation.

If you have any questions about this matter, please call Metea Wright at 303-312-6023. The EPA commends the efforts by the Tribe's Water Resources and Environmental Program to ensure the safety of persons served by the System by responding quickly to the situation and keeping the EPA informed.

Sincerely,

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Tiffany Cantor, SDWA Unit Supervisor Drinking Water Enforcement Program Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice

cc: Dustin White, Water Resources Director, (via email)

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