

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 8

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Sheridan County Commissioners c/o Steve Maier, Chair 224 South Main Sheridan, WY 82801

Re:

Notice of Safe Drinking Water Act Enforcement

Action against Harry Washut and Chuckwagon Country Store, LLC, owner of Chuck Wagon Market Public Water

System

PWS ID # WY5601560

Dear Commissioners:

The Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) notify locally elected officials of certain enforcement actions taken in their area.

An Administrative Order (Order) is being issued to Harry Washut and Chuckwater Country Store, LLC, owner of the Chuck Wagon Market. This Order requires that Mr. Washut take measures to return the Chuck Wagon Market public water system to compliance with the SDWA and the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations. The violations include: failure to monitor for total coliform bacteria, failure to notify the public of violations, and failure to report such violations to EPA.

For more details, a copy of the Order is enclosed. **The Order does not require any response or action by the County Commission.** If you have any questions regarding this Order, please contact Olive Hofstader at (303) 312-6467.

Sincerely,

Arturg Palomares, Director

Water Technical Enforcement Program

Office of Enforcement, Compliance

and Environmental Justice

Enclosure:

Order



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Chuckwagon Country Store, LLC Harry Washut, Registered Agent 3 Fish Hatchery Road P.O. Box 92 Moran, WY 82013

> Re: Administrative Order Chuck Wagon Market public water system Docket No. SDWA-08-2013-0009 PWS ID #5601560

Dear Mr. Washut:

Enclosed is an Administrative Order (Order) issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the authority of section 1414(g) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(g). Among other things, the Order alleges that you and Chuckwagon Country Store, LLC, as owner of the Chuck Wagon Market public water system (System) have violated the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations at 40 C.F.R. part 141 (Drinking Water Regulations).

The Order is effective upon the date received. Please review the Order and within 10 days provide the EPA with any information you believe the EPA may not have.

If you comply with the Order, the EPA may close the Order without further action. Failure to comply with the Order may lead to substantial civil penalties and/or a federal court injunction ordering compliance.

The Small Business Regulatory Enforcement and Fairness Act (SBREFA) may apply to this situation. Enclosed is a small business information sheet, outlining compliance assistance resources available to small businesses and small governments, in case these are relevant. SBREFA does not eliminate the responsibility to comply with the Order or the Drinking Water Regulations.

The Order requires you to notify the public of having violated the Drinking Water Regulations. Enclosed please find a public notice template explaining the public notice requirements in more detail.

To submit information or request an informal conference with the EPA, please contact Olive Hofstader at the above address (with the mailcode 8ENF-W) or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6467 or (303) 312-6467. Any questions from your attorney should be directed to Dana Stotsky, Enforcement Attorney, who may be reached at the above address (with the mailcode 8ENF-L) or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6905 or (303) 312-6905.

We urge your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Afturo Palomares, Director

Water Technical Enforcement Program Office of Enforcement, Compliance

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Enclosures:

Order SBREFA Information Sheet Public Notice Template

cc:

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

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IN THE MATTER OF:) FILED
Harry Washut, Owner	Docket No. SDWA-08-2013-0009 EPA REGION VIII HEARING CLERK
and)
Chuckwagon Country Store, LLC)) ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
Respondents.)

- 1. This Order is issued under the authority vested in the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) by section 1414(g) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (Act), 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(g), as properly delegated to the undersigned officials.
- Harry Washut (Respondent) is an individual who owns or operates the Chuck Wagon Market Water System (the System), which provides piped water to the public in Sheridan County, Wyoming, for human consumption.
- Chuckwagon Country Store, LLC (Respondent) is a Wyoming corporation that owns or operates
 the Chuck Wagon Water System (the System), which provides piped water to the public in Sheridan
 County, Wyoming, for human consumption.
- The System is supplied by a groundwater source consisting of 1 well with no treatment or continuous disinfection provided.
- 5. The System has approximately 1 service connection and regularly serves at least 25 individuals daily at least 60 days out of the year. Therefore, the System is a "public water system" as defined in § 1401(4) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300f (4), and 40 C.F.R. § 141.2. The System is also a "transient, non-community water system" as defined in 40 C.F.R. § 141.2.
- 6. Respondents are subject to the Act and the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (Drinking Water Regulations) at 40 C.F.R. part 141. The Drinking Water Regulations are "applicable requirements" as defined in section 1414(i) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(i).

VIOLATIONS

- 7. Respondents are required to monitor the System's water quarterly for total coliform bacteria. 40 C.F.R. § 141.21(a). Respondents failed to monitor the System's water for total coliform bacteria during the 2nd (April June) quarter of 2010, 2nd (April June) quarter of 2011, 3rd (July September) quarter of 2012 and, therefore, violated this requirement.
- 8. Respondents are required to report any failure to comply with any coliform monitoring requirement to the EPA within 10 days after discovering the violation. 40 C.F.R. § 141.21(g)(2). Respondents failed to report the violations listed in paragraph 6, above, to the EPA and, therefore, violated this requirement.

- 9. Respondent is required to report the results of testing for total coliform to the EPA no later than (1) the first 10 days following the month in which the result is received, or (2) the first 10 days following the end of the required monitored period, whichever is earlier. 40 C.F.R. § 141.31(a). Respondent failed to report its 2nd (April June) and 3rd (July September) quarters of 2009 and 2nd (April June) quarter of 2012 monitoring results for total coliform to the EPA within this time period and, therefore, violated this requirement.
- 10. Respondents are required to notify the public of certain violations of the Drinking Water Regulations. 40 C.F.R. §§ 141.201-141.211. Respondents failed to notify the public of the 2009 through 2011 violations cited in paragraph 6, above, and, therefore, violated this requirement.

ORDER

Based on the above violations, Respondents is ordered to perform the following actions upon Respondents' receipt of this Order (unless a different deadline is specified below):

- 11. Respondents shall monitor the System's water quarterly for total coliform bacteria and, if any sample is positive for total coliform, conduct repeat and additional routine monitoring, as required by 40 C.F.R. § 141.21. Respondents shall report analytical results to the EPA within the first 10 days following the month in which Respondents receives sample results, as required by 40 C.F.R. § 141.31(a). Respondents shall report any violation of coliform monitoring requirements in 40 C.F.R. part 141 to the EPA within 10 days after discovering the violation, as required by 40 C.F.R. § 141.21(g)(2).
- 12. Within 30 days after receipt of this Order, Respondents shall notify the public of the 2009 through 2011 violations cited in paragraph 6, above, following the instructions provided with the public notice template provided to Respondents with this Order. Thereafter, following any future violation of the Drinking Water Regulations, Respondents shall comply with any applicable public notice provisions of 40 C.F.R. part 141, subpart Q. Within 10 days after providing public notice, Respondents shall submit a copy of the notice to EPA.
- 13. Respondents shall direct all reporting required by this Order to:

U.S. EPA Region 8 (8P-W-DW) 1595 Wynkoop Denver, CO 80202-1129

GENERAL PROVISIONS

14. This Order shall not constitute a waiver, suspension, or modification of any requirement of the Act or Drinking Water Regulations. Issuance of this Order is not an election by EPA to forgo any civil or criminal action.

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15. Violation of any part of this Order may subject Respondents to a civil penalty of up to \$37,500 per day of violation (as adjusted for inflation) per day of violation. 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3; 40 C.F.R. part 19.

Issued: Junuary 28, 2013.

James H. Eppers, Supervisory Attorney

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