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Greater Smoot Water and Sewer District c/o John Hunsaker, Chairman P.O. Box 76 Smoot, Wyoming 83126

Re: Administrative Order Violation, Greater Smoot Water and Sewer District Public Water

System, PWS ID #WY5601397, Docket No. SDWA-08-2012-0005

Dear Mr. Hunsaker:

This is the first letter notifying the Greater Smoot Water and Sewer District (Respondent) of noncompliance with the Administrative Order (Order) issued on November 21, 2011, by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the federal Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 300f et seq.

Our records indicate that the Respondent is in violation of the Order. Among other things, the Order included the following requirements (summarized from paragraphs 11 and 15 on pages 2 and 3 of the Order):

 If the Respondent's total coliform sample results exceed the maximum contaminant level (MCL) while this Order is in effect, Respondent shall, within 30 days of learning of this violation, provide EPA with a compliance plan and schedule for the System to come into compliance with the MCL for total coliform as identified in 40 C.F.R. § 141.63.

The Respondent exceeded the total coliform MCL in September 2012, August 2013 and September 2013, and did not submit a compliance plan and schedule for the System to come into compliance with the MCL for total coliform as stated in 40 C.F.R. § 141.63. The Respondent remains in ongoing non-compliance with the Order until EPA receives a compliance plan and schedule.

2. The Respondent shall comply with all source water monitoring and related requirements in 40 C.F.R. § 141.402. When reporting any triggered source water

sample result to the EPA, Respondent shall specify that it is a triggered source water sample.

The Respondent failed to collect triggered groundwater source samples within 24 hours of a total coliform positive sample on July 22, 2013.

The EPA is considering additional enforcement action as a result of the Respondent'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 the EPA's information appears incorrect and/or you have any questions, please contact Olive Hofstader at 1-800-227-8917, extension 6467, or (303) 312-6467. If you are represented by an attorney who has questions, please ask the attorney to contact Mia Bearley, Enforcement Attorney, at 1-800-227-8917, extension 6554, or (303) 312-6554, or at the following address:

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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

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