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Honorable Samuel Vieyra, Mayor Town of Rock River POB 280 Rock River, WY 82083

Re:

Administrative Order Violation #5 Docket No. SDWA-08-2009-0050 PWS ID #5600048

Dear Mayor Vieyra:

The Town of Rock River (the Town) is in violation of the June 18, 2009, Administrative Order (Order) EPA issued to the Town under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), 42 U.S.C. Section 300f et seq. Our records indicate that the Town is in violation of the Order. Among other things, the Order included the following requirement (quoted from item 16 on page 3 of the Order):

Respondent shall comply with the requirement to ensure that the residual disinfectant concentration in the water entering the distribution system is not less than 0.2 mg/L for more than 4 hours. 40 C.F.R. § 141.72(b)(2).

The residual disinfectant concentration in the water entering the Town's distribution system was less than 0.2 mg/L for more than 4 hours on July 2, 2011.

EPA is considering additional enforcement action as a result of 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 or wish to have an informal conference with EPA, you may contact Kathelene Brainich at 1-800-227-8917, extension 6481 or (303) 312-6481. If you are

represented by an attorney who has questions, ask your attorney to contact Thomas Sitz, Enforcement Attorney, at 1-800-227-8917, extension 6918, or (303) 312-6918. We urge your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Lisa Kahn, Team Leader

Drinking Water Enforcement Program

Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice

cc: WY DEQ/DOH (via email)

Tina Artemis, EPA Regional Hearing Clerk