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<u>SENT VIA EMAIL</u> <u>DIGITAL DELIVERY RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

Mr. Liddon Kellman, Operations ExxonMobil Shute Creek Gas Plant <u>liddon.l.kellman@exxonmobil.com</u>

Subj: Administrative Order issued to ExxonMobil Production Company regarding the ExxonMobil Shute Creek Gas Plant Public Water System, PWS ID #WY5600919 Docket No. SDWA-08-2024-0039

Dear Mr. Kellman:

Enclosed is an Administrative Order (Order) issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency 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 ExxonMobil Production Company (Respondent), as owner and operator of the ExxonMobil Shute Creek Gas Plant Public Water System (System), has violated the EPA's drinking water regulations at 40 C.F.R. part 141 (Part 141). The EPA is issuing this Order because our previous compliance assurance efforts have not been effective in returning the System to compliance with Part 141.

The Order is effective upon the date received. Please review the Order and within 10 business days provide the EPA with any pertinent information the Company believes the EPA may not have (*e.g.*, any monitoring that may have been done but not submitted, any updates to the number of service connections and/or individuals served). If the EPA does not hear from the Company, the EPA will assume this information is correct. If the Company complies with the Order, the EPA may close the Order without further action. Failure to comply with the Order may trigger immediate action by the EPA, including a complaint seeking administrative penalties. The complaint may lead to assessment of civil penalties of up to \$69,733 (as adjusted for inflation) per day of violation, a court injunction ordering compliance, or both. 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3; 40 C.F.R. part 19; 88 Fed. Reg. at 89309 (December 27, 2023).

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Please be aware that the Company is required to submit to the EPA a plan and schedule for bringing the System into compliance with Part 141. The EPA's approval of the schedule does not substitute for any other approval that may be required by any other governmental entity for modifying the System. The EPA encourages the Company to contact any such governmental agency or agencies regarding any applicable approval requirements.

The Company is required to notify the public quarterly by completing a public notice (PN) until the total trihalomethane and haloacetic acid maximum contaminant level violations are resolved. Please submit a copy of the completed PN to the EPA each quarter.

If the Company has any questions or to request an informal conference with the EPA, please contact Rachel Brookins via email at brookins.rachel@epa.gov, or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6509, or (303) 312-6509. Any questions from the Company's attorney should be directed to Mia Bearley, Senior Assistant Regional Counsel, via email at bearley.mia@epa.gov or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6554, or (303) 312-6554.

We urge your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Cantor, Manager Water Enforcement Branch Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division

ENCLOSURES

cc:

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