



August 15, 2008

Regional Hearing Clerk
U.S. EPA, Region 2
290 Broadway, 16th Floor
New York, NY 10007-1866

Ref: Article number 7005 3110 0000 5935 2311
Docket number SDWA-02-2008-8903

Re: Request for extension of time

To whom it may concern:

My assistant returned to school in early August to find a pile of mail from early summer that had not yet been opened. Unfortunately, this pile included a notice from the EPA regarding a possible violation of the Safe Water Drinking Act. The notice indicates the school had originally had a month to respond—a month that has since passed.

We are sorry for the error on our part—it was wholly unintentional. Given the circumstances, we request an extension of time to answer the Complaint. We did not know of this possible violation, and we of course want to achieve compliance as soon as possible.

GHS is a struggling school, and we are very concerned about the \$6500 fine suggested in the letter. Please, before levying the fine, allow us an extension of time to answer the Complaint.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Headmaster

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