

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 8

1595 Wynkoop Street DENVER, CO 80202-1129 Phone 800-227-8917 http://www.epa.gov/region08 2013 JUL 31 PM 3: 05

EPA REGION VIII HEARING CLERK

JUL 3 1 2013

Ref: 8 ENF-W

Marc C. Thompson, Registered Agent GILL Holdings, LLC 1438 Sheridan Ave., Ste. 105 P.O. Box 295 Cody, WY 82414

> Re: Closure of Administrative Orders Issued to UXU Ranch Public Water System Docket Nos. SDWA-08-2012-0024 and SDWA-08-2012-0060 Former PWS ID # WY5600457

Dear Mr. Thompson:

This letter is to inform you of the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) decision to close the Administrative Orders (Orders), Docket Nos. SDWA-08-2012-0024 and SDWA-08-2012-0060, issued to GILL Holdings, LLC (the Company), as owner of the UXU Ranch Public Water System (System), on May 10 and September 27, 2012, respectively.

The EPA is closing the Orders at this time following deactivation by the EPA of the UXU Ranch system as a "public water system" on July 19, 2013.

Although the System is no longer a regulated public water system, we urge the Company to continue its efforts aimed at ensuring safe water is provided to users of the UXU Ranch water system, including by providing for a qualified operator to oversee operations of this system whose source is ground water under the direct influence of surface water. Along similar lines, the EPA recommends that operators at the system continue to maintain and operate both the filtration and chlorination equipment at the system and take other steps to ensure safe water is provided to users of the UXU Ranch water system, including regular bacteriological testing.

If you have any questions about this matter, please call Mario Mérida at 303-312-6297.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Pardue Welch, Team Leader Drinking Water Enforcement Program

Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice

cc: Tina Artemis, EPA Regional Hearing Clerk

WY DEQ, DOH and DOA - Consumer Protection Services (via e-mail)

David S. Gill, President, Gill Holdings, LLC (via e-mail)

Anita Harper, Natural Resource Specialist, Shoshone National Forest (via email)