

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

IN RE: **National Park Service-Lodgepole  
Water System No. 5410502**

TO: Mr. Paul Schwarz, Sanitarian  
National Park Service-Lodgepole  
47050 Generals Highway  
Three Rivers, CA 93271

CC: Mr. Jason Gambatese, USEPA Region 9

**CITATION FOR NONCOMPLIANCE OF THE  
DOMESTIC WATER SUPPLY PERMIT**

**April and May 2012**

*Issued on June 12, 2012*

Section 116650 of the California Health and Safety Code (CHSC) authorizes the issuance of a Citation for failure to comply with a requirement of the California Safe Drinking Water Act, or any regulation, standard, permit, or order issued thereunder.

**VIOLATIONS**

The Drinking Water Field Operations Branch of the California Department of Public Health (hereinafter Department) hereby issues a Citation to the National Park Service-Lodgepole Water System (hereinafter System) for failure to comply with Section



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116555(a)(3) of the CHSC and Section 64653(c)(1) of Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR). Specifically, the System (mailing address: 47050 Generals Highway, Three Rivers, CA, 93271) failed to comply with Permit Provisions No. 7(a) of the Domestic Water Supply Permit issued on May 27, 2011.

The above violations are classified as continuing.

The System operates an inline filtration treatment plant which is classified as an alternative technology. Section 64653 (h) of the CCR specifies that the Department's approval of alternative filtration technologies, including establishment of performance standards and monitoring requirements, shall be done in accordance with the permit process specified in section 116525 through 116550 of the Health and Safety Code. Permit condition 7(a) of the Domestic Water Supply Permit No. 03-12-11P-003 issued to the System on May 27, 2011, specifies that the turbidity level of the combined filter effluent water shall be less than or equal to 0.1 NTU in 50 percent of the measurements taken each month. The turbidity level of the filtered water shall not exceed 1.0 NTU for more than eight consecutive hours while the plant is in operation. For the month of April and May 2012, the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile was 0.17 and 0.15 NTU, respectively.

1        **NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

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4        Section 64666(a) requires a water supplier to notify the persons served by the water system  
5        whenever there is a failure to comply with the permit provision specified in Section  
6        64653(h).

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8        Public notification for violation of Section 64653(h) shall be in accordance with Section  
9        64463.4(a)(1), including the mandatory language in Section 64465(a).

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12        **Attachment B** is a copy of the public notice template and guidance information that the  
13        System may use to fulfill the above notification requirements. This notice includes the  
14        mandatory language as required in Section 64465(a).

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16        **DIRECTIVES**

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18        The National Park Service is hereby directed to take the following actions:

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- 21        1.        By July 2, 2012, submit a written acknowledgment of receipt of this Citation and  
22                your willingness to comply with its directives.
  
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24        2.        By July 2, 2012, provide public notification to all customers, by publication in a  
25                daily newspaper serving the general area and by mail or hand delivery, informing  
26                them that the water did not meet the permit provisions during the months of April  
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and May 2012. Instructions on how to complete the public notification are included in **Attachment A**. The public notification must include the mandatory language contained in **Attachment B**. The System shall provide proof of publication of the notification to the Department. Information regarding proof of publication is also described in **Attachment C**.

3. Submit all written responses and reports to:

Tricia A. Wathen, P.E., District Engineer  
California Department of Public Health  
Drinking Water Field Operations Branch  
265 W. Bullard Avenue, Suite 101  
Fresno, CA 93704

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ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY

Section 116650(e)(2) of the CHSC allows for the assessment of an administrative penalty for failure to comply with any citation issued for failure of the primary drinking water standard for turbidity. Failure to comply with any directive of this citation will result in the Department imposing an administrative penalty not to exceed \$250 (two hundred and fifty dollars) per day as of the date of violation.

June 12, 2012  
Date

Tricia A. Wathen  
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