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VALLEY WATER CO.
Attention: Dorothy A. Paugh, R.A.
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RE: Service of Amendment to Enforcement Order Number: DC-031230-03

Dear Dorothy A. Paugh:

Valley Water Co. is hereby issued the enclosed amendment to the Enforcement Order (Number: DC-031230-03) that was issued to Valley Water Co. on December 30, 2003. This order amendment is issued by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment's Water Quality Control Division (the "Division") pursuant to the authority given to the Division by §25-1.5-203 of the Colorado Revised Statutes.

Should you desire to discuss this matter with the Division or if you have any questions regarding the order amendment(s), please don't hesitate to contact Jackie Whelan at (303) 692-3617 or by electronic mail at jackie.whelan@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Kristi-Raye Beaudin, Legal Assistant
Compliance Assurance and Data Management Section
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**COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT
WATER QUALITY CONTROL DIVISION**

**AMENDMENT TO ENFORCEMENT ORDER NUMBER: DC-031230-03
NUMBER ONE**

IN THE MATTER OF: VALLEY WATER CO.

**PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: CO0145750
OTERO COUNTY, COLORADO**

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (the "Department") by §25-1-109 and §25-1.5-203 of the Colorado Revised Statutes ("C.R.S."), which authority has been delegated to the Department's Water Quality Control Division (the "Division"), the Division hereby makes the following findings and issues the following Enforcement Order Amendment:

GENERAL FINDINGS

1. On December 30, 2003, the Division issued Enforcement Order Number: DC-031230-03 to Vally Water Co. citing violations of the Colorado Primary Drinking Water Regulations for failure to comply with the maximum contaminant levels for Combined Radium-226 and Radium-228. The Enforcement Order is attached hereto as Exhibit A and is incorporated herein by reference.
2. After re-evaluating the difficulties associated with the complying with the radionuclides maximum contaminant levels and in coordination with the Division's CORADS initiative, the Division is amending Enforcement Order number DC-031230-03 as follows:

AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE

3. Effective as of the issued date of this Amendment, Enforcement Order Number: DC-031230-03 is therefore amended to revise the Enforcement Order as follows:
 - A. Paragraph 10 is superseded and replaced with the following new paragraph 3(A)(i):
 - i. A review of the radiological monitoring data from October 1, 2002, to present provided to the Department by the System, establishes that the running annual average of samples obtained by the System as required exceeds the maximum

contaminant level of 5 picocuries per liter (pCi/L) for Combined Radium-226 and Radium-228.

Combined Radium-226 and Radium-228 (in pCi/L)					
Sampling Point	Compliance Period/Date/Result	Compliance Period/Date/Result	Compliance Period/Date/Result	Compliance Period/Date/Result	Annual Average
001T	Q4 2002 12/11/02 18	Q1 2003 03/17/03 11.8	Q2 2003 06/15/03 10.2	Q3 2003 07/28/03 14.1	14
	Q1 2003 03/17/03 11.8	Q2 2003 06/15/03 10.2	Q3 2003 07/28/03 14.1	Q4 2003 12/08/03 10.2	12
	Annual 2004 04/01/04 12				12
	Annual 2005 09/13/05 10.9				11
	Annual 2006 11/09/06 12.9				13
	Annual 2007 10/09/07 11.9				12
	Annual 2008 05/20/08 15.5				16
002T	Q4 2002 12/11/02 17	Q1 2003 03/17/03 11.8	Q2 2003 06/15/03 9.4	Q3 2003 07/28/03 13.1	13
	Q1 2003 03/17/03 11.8	Q2 2003 06/15/03 9.4	Q3 2003 07/28/03 13.1	Q4 2003 No sample submitted	11
	Annual 2004 04/01/04 14.2				14
	Annual 2005 09/13/05 10.5				11
	Annual 2006 11/09/06 15.7				16
	Annual 2007 10/09/07 13				13
	Annual 2008 05/20/08 16.6				17

B. The compliance schedule specified in paragraph 13 is superseded and replaced with the following new paragraph 3(B)(i):

- i. In order to ensure long-term compliance with the maximum contaminant levels for Combined Radium-226 and Radium-228, Vally Water Co. shall evaluate and upgrade, as needed, the System's water sources and/or treatment process(es) in accordance with the following schedule:
 - a. By April 30, 2009, retain a qualified Professional Engineer (licensed in Colorado and experienced in drinking water systems) to evaluate and recommend radiological treatment technologies or alternate water sources to Vally Water Co. to ensure compliance with the maximum contaminant level for Combined Radium-226 and Radium-228.
 - b. By October 31, 2009, submit for Department review and comment a finalized Preliminary Engineering Report for system improvements to comply with the maximum contaminant levels for Combined Radium-226 and Radium-228. If an alternate water source is proposed, submit for Department review and comment a detailed description of the alternate water source along with a copy of the laboratory analyses supporting that the alternate water source is suitable.
 - c. The Preliminary Engineering Report submittal package must be developed consistent with the Colorado Drinking Water Preliminary Engineering Report Guidance & Review Checklist Form. (see http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/wq/opa/pdf/19_CPERGuideChecklistDW.pdf)
 - d. If an alternate water source is proposed, submit for Department review and comment a detailed description of the alternate water source along with a copy of the laboratory analyses supporting that the alternate water source is suitable.
 - e. The Preliminary Engineering Report (if applicable) must clearly identify the specific treatment technology Vally Water Co. will use to ensure compliance with the maximum contaminant levels for Combined Radium-226 and Radium-228.
 - f. The Preliminary Engineering Report (if applicable) must include a process flow schematic of the distribution system from wellheads to points of use, including flow rates, treatment facilities, storage tanks and all service connections supplied by the wells. Alternative treatment locations for the selected treatment process or processes must be evaluated with a recommended location selection. The process flow schematic information and evaluation must be included to ensure all water from the System is treated.
 - g. The Preliminary Engineering Report (if applicable) must include a proposal for management of residuals from the treatment technology selected.

- h. The Preliminary Engineering Report submittal package must include design calculations showing the proposed treatment system is properly sized and chlorine contact times can be met for expected flow rates.

{Please note that, prior to construction, the Department must give final approval to any modifications to the System's water source or treatment process. The Department will not perform a detailed review and final approval of any proposed modifications until the final design plans and specifications have been received pursuant to paragraph 3(B)(i)(k) below.}

- i. By February 28, 2010, submit for Department review and comment the final Design Report for Vally Water Co. System improvements to comply with the maximum contaminant levels for Combined Radium-226 and Radium-228.
- j. By August 1, 2010, submit Final Design Plans and Specifications for the System improvements for Department review and approval in accordance with the State of Colorado Design Criteria for Potable Water Systems.
- k. The Final Design Plans and Specifications submittal package must include specifications for treatment equipment and/or chemical additives that come in contact with the water that indicate ANSI standards 60 and 61 are met (NSF certification).
- l. By October 15, 2011, complete construction/implementation of the Department approved System improvements to ensure long-term compliance with the maximum contaminant levels Combined Radium-226 and Radium-228.
- m. By December 1, 2011, submit the Professional Engineer's Certification that the System improvements to comply with the maximum contaminant levels for Combined Radium-226 and Radium-228 were constructed/installed as approved by the Department.

C. The following new paragraphs are incorporated into Enforcement Order Number DC-031230-03

- i. By no later than April 30, 2009, Vally Water Co. shall complete an evaluation to determine appropriate interim measures to ensure that the System is providing the best possible quality of water available until the System implements improvements to ensure long-term compliance with the radiological maximum contaminant levels. Vally Water Co. shall submit a written report of the results of this evaluation to the Division for review and comment. Implementation of the interim measures identified by Vally Water Co. shall become a condition of this Enforcement Order unless notified by the Division, in writing, that alternate or additional interim

measures are appropriate. If the Division imposes alternate or additional interim measures, they shall also become a condition of this Enforcement Order.

- ii. By no later than March 31, 2009, and every three (3) months thereafter, Vally Water Co. shall issue a public notice in accordance with 5 CCR 1003-1, Article 9.2 for each radiological maximum contaminant level violation identified in this Enforcement Order until Vally Water Co. has effectively addressed and returned to compliance with the radiological maximum contaminant levels outlined in 5 CCR 1003-1, §2.6, Table 2-7. Within ten (10) calendar days of completion of each required public notification, Vally Water Co. shall submit to the Department, along with the mandatory Public Notification certification of delivery, a representative copy of notices distributed, published, posted, and/or made available to the persons served by the system and/or to the media. (Attached are copies of procedures and forms to assist you with the public notification requirements.)
 - iii. Vally Water Co. shall submit "System Improvement Project - Progress Reports" to the Division every ninety (90) calendar days. The first report shall be submitted to the Division by March 31, 2009. At a minimum, each report shall clearly indicate the status of the system improvement project at the time the report is filed and outline activities to be undertaken within the next ninety (90) calendar days. Each report shall also detail any public notification provided during that period. These reports shall be required until the System has effectively addressed and returned to compliance with the radiological maximum contaminant levels outlined in 5 CCR 1003-1, §2.6, Table 2-7.
 - iv. All documents submitted under this Order Amendment shall use the same titles as stated in the Order Amendment, and shall reference both the number of the Order, Amendment number, and the paragraph number pursuant to which the document is required.
- D. For all documents, plans, records, reports, and replies required to be submitted by the Order, Vally Water Co. shall submit an original and one copy (electronic is preferred) to the Division at the following address:

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
Water Quality Control Division / WQCD-WQP-B2
Compliance Assurance and Data Management Section / Enforcement Team
Attention: Jackie Whelan
4300 Cherry Creek Drive South
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Email: jackie.whelan@state.co.us

(For any facsimile transmittals, please include a cover sheet addressed to Ms. Whelan.)

SCOPE OF AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE

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The scope of this Amendment Number One to Enforcement Order Number DC-031230-03- is limited to the revisions outlined above. All other terms and conditions of the Enforcement Order shall remain unchanged and in effect.

Issued at Denver, Colorado, this 25th day of March, 2009.

FOR THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT



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