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Mr. Lee Stoltz, President  
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Sedalia, CO 80135

**RE: Service of Drinking Water Enforcement Order, Number: DC-110201-1**

Dear Mr. Stoltz:

Sedalia Water & Sanitation District is hereby issued the enclosed Enforcement Order (the "Order"). This Order is issued by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Water Quality Control Division (the "Department") pursuant to the authority given to the Department by §25-1.5-203 of the Colorado Revised Statutes ("C.R.S."). The Department bases this Order upon findings that Sedalia Water & Sanitation District has violated the *Colorado Primary Drinking Water Regulations* (the "Regulations") as described in the enclosed Order.

As a recipient of an Order, Sedalia Water & Sanitation District may request a formal hearing to contest the Order in accordance with the Regulations, 5 CCR 1003-1, §1.6.7(g). Requests for such a hearing shall be filed in writing with the Department within thirty (30) calendar days after service of the Order. Such requests, at a minimum, shall contain the information specified in 5 CCR 1003-1, §1.6.7(g), and 5 CCR 1002-21, §21.4(B)(2). Hearings on Orders shall be held in accordance with applicable provisions of the State Administrative Procedure Act, Article 4 of Title 24, C.R.S., and the procedural rules promulgated in 5 CCR 1002-21.

This action could result in the imposition of administrative or civil penalties. The Department or a State District Court is authorized pursuant to §25-1-114.1, C.R.S., to impose a penalty of up to \$1,000 per violation per day. Please be advised that the Department is continuing its investigation into this matter and the Department may identify supplementary violations that warrant amendments to this Order or the issuance of additional enforcement actions.

Should Sedalia Water & Sanitation District desire to informally discuss this matter with the Department or if you have any questions regarding the Order, please don't hesitate to contact Lauren Worley at (303) 692-3547 or by electronic mail at [lauren.worley@state.co.us](mailto:lauren.worley@state.co.us).

Sincerely,



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WATER QUALITY CONTROL DIVISION

Enclosure

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**COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT**  
**WATER QUALITY CONTROL DIVISION**

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**ENFORCEMENT ORDER**

**NUMBER: DC-110201-1**

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**IN THE MATTER OF: SEDALIA WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT**  
**PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: CO-0118060**  
**DOUGLAS COUNTY, COLORADO**

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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 is implemented through the Department's Water Quality Control Division (the "Division") and the *Colorado Primary Drinking Water Regulations* ("5 CCR 1003-1"), the Division hereby makes the following findings and issues the following Enforcement Order:

**GENERAL FINDINGS**

1. Sedalia Water and Sanitation District ("Sedalia WSD") owns and/or operates a drinking water system located at 4141 Hunt Street, Sedalia, Colorado, in Douglas County, Colorado (the "System").
2. Sedalia WSD is a person as defined by 5 CCR 1003-1, §1.5.2(98).
3. Sedalia WSD is a supplier of water within the meaning of §25-1.5-201(2), C.R.S. and its implementing regulation, 5 CCR 1003-1, §1.5.2(128).
4. The System is a public water system as defined by §25-1.5-201(1), C.R.S. and its implementing regulation, 5 CCR 1003-1, §1.5.2(107).
5. The Public Water System Identification Number ("PWSID") assigned to the System by the Division is PWSID #: CO-0118060.
6. Pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §1.2, the System is subject to the *Colorado Primary Drinking Water Regulations* (the "Regulations"), which were adopted pursuant to §25-1.5-203, C.R.S.
7. The Sedalia WSD provides piped water for human consumption from the System to at least fifteen (15) service connections used by year-round residents of the area served by the System and/or regularly serves at least twenty-five (25) year-round residents. The System is therefore classified as a "community water system" as defined by 5 CCR 1003-1, §1.5.2(15).

8. The source of the water served by the System is ground water under the direct influence of surface water as defined by 5CCR 1003-1, §1.5.2(65). Pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §1.5.2(129), groundwaters found to be under the direct influence of surface water will be classified as surface water.

### **First Violation**

#### **(Failure to Provide Treatment of a Public Water Supply)**

9. Pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §7.1.3(b), a public water system that uses a surface water source or a groundwater source under the direct influence of surface water and serves fewer than 10,000 people must provide treatment consisting of both disinfection, as specified in 5 CCR 1003-1, §7.1.2, and filtration treatment which complies with the requirements of 5 CCR 1003-1, §§7.1.3(f) or (g) or §§7.3.4(a), (b) or (c).
10. Pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §7.1.3(d), once a groundwater source has been determined, through the results of a microscopic particulate analysis, visual well inspection or correlation of source water parameters with surface conditions, to be under the direct influence of surface water, the system must install filtration treatment designed to meet the turbidity requirements specified in 5 CCR 1003-1, §§7.1.3(e), (f), (g) or (h), 5 CCR 1003-1, §§ 7.2.3(a), (b) or (c), or 5 CCR 1003-1, §§7.3.4(a), (b), or (c) within eighteen (18) months of written notice from the Department.
11. In a letter dated October 1, 2008, the Division notified the System that source water Well 1 (ID #: WL002) and Well 2 (ID #: WL004) were being reclassified as groundwater under the direct influence of surface water. In the letter the System was further advised, by no later than March 31, 2010 (18 month deadline), to either abandon the source, connect to another approved water system, develop another source that is free of surface water influence, or install Division approved surface water treatment.
12. In a letter dated February 25, 2009, from Sedalia WSD to the Division, Sedalia WSD informed the Division that it would comply with the reclassification of its source water wells by installing filtration and disinfection treatment that meets the log removal and/or inactivation requirements of the Surface Water Treatment Rules.
13. Division records to-date establish that the System has not submitted complete plans and specifications for the proposed System improvements and therefore the System has not installed Division approved filtration treatment to rectify the groundwater under the direct influence of surface water classification of the System's water sources.
14. Sedalia WSD's ongoing failure to provide approved filtration treatment on the System's groundwater under the direct influence of surface water source constitutes ongoing violation(s) of 5 CCR 1003-1, §§7.1.3(b) and (d).

**Second Violation**  
**(Exceedance of the Maximum Contaminant Level**  
**for Microbiological Contaminants)**

15. Pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, 5.7(a), the maximum contaminant level for microbiological contaminants is based on the presence or absence of total coliforms in a sample, rather than coliform density.
16. Pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, 5.1.1(d), Table 5-1, the System, which serves a daily population of three-hundred (300) persons, must take a minimum of one (1) sample for total coliform per month.
17. Pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §5.7(a)(2), the System, which collects fewer than 40 total coliform samples per month, exceeds the maximum contaminant level for microbiological contaminants if more than one sample collected during a month is total coliform-positive.
18. Pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §5.1.1(b), the System is required to submit the results of all routine total coliform sampling and analyses to the Department for review.
19. Division records establish that the System reported total coliform-positive results for the following sample dates:

<b>Sample Month/Day/Year</b>	<b>Type of Sample</b>	<b>Sample Location</b>	<b>Total Coliform</b>	<b><i>E. Coli</i></b>
9/15/2010	Routine – TCR	Distribution	<b>Present</b>	Absent
9/17/2010	Repeat – TCR	Original	Absent	Absent
9/17/2010	Repeat – TCR	Upstream	Absent	Absent
9/17/2010	Repeat – TCR	Downstream	<b>Present</b>	Absent
9/17/2010	Repeat – TCR	Other	<b>Present</b>	Absent

20. Sedalia WSD’s failure to maintain compliance with the maximum contaminant level for microbiological contaminants during the month of September, 2010, constitutes violation(s) of 5 CCR 1003-1, §2.3 and §5.7(a).

**Third Violation**  
**(Failure to Provide or Certify Public Notification)**

21. Pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §9.2.1(a), the owner or operator of a public water system must give notice to persons served by the water system for all violations of the *Colorado Primary Drinking Water Regulations*. The term “violations” includes violations of the maximum contaminant level, maximum residual disinfection level, treatment technique, monitoring requirements, and testing procedures.
22. Pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §9.2.1(c)(1), each public water system must provide public notice to persons served by the water system, in accordance with 5 CCR 1003-1, §9.2.

23. Division records establish that the Sedalia WSD has failed to monitor and/or report for synthetic organic chemicals during the compliance period of calendar year 2005 through 2007 and such failure is a monitoring violation pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §§6.2.6(a) and 6.2.3(e).
24. Pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §§9.2.1(c)(3) and 1.6.4(d), the System must send a copy of the public notice to the Department within ten (10) calendar days of completing the public notification requirements for the initial public notice and for any repeat notices. In addition, the System must submit to the Department a certification that it has fully complied with the public notification regulations.
25. In a letter dated February 15, 2008, from the Division to the System, the Division notified the System that, if it had in fact failed to perform the monitoring and/or reporting for synthetic organic chemicals during the compliance period of calendar year 2005 through 2007, it must perform the public notification in accordance with 5 CCR 1003-1, §9.2.
26. Division records establish that the System has not submitted a certification to the Department certifying that it has fully complied with the public notification regulations relating to its failure to comply with the synthetic organic chemical monitoring requirements of 5 CCR 1003-1, §§6.2.6(a) and 6.2.3(e).
27. Division records establish that the System's *Consumer Confidence Report for Calendar Year 2008* did not include notification to consumers of the System's failure to monitor and/or report for synthetic organic chemicals for the compliance period of calendar year 2005 through 2007.
28. Sedalia WSD's failure to submit copies to the Department of its required public notifications/certifications constitutes violations of 5 CCR 1003-1, §§9.2.1(c)(3) and 1.6.4(d). If Sedalia WSD failed to notify the public of its failure to monitor and/or report for synthetic organic chemicals, this failure constitutes violations of 5 CCR 1003-1, §§9.2.1(a) and 9.2.1(c)(1).

### **COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Based upon the foregoing factual and legal determinations and pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §1.6.7, Sedalia WSD is hereby ordered to:

29. Immediately comply with the *Colorado Primary Drinking Water Regulations*, 5 CCR 1003-1, Articles 1 through 13.

Further, the Division hereby orders Sedalia WSD to comply with the following specific terms and conditions of this Enforcement Order.

30. In order to ensure long-term compliance with the *Colorado Primary Drinking Water Regulations*, specifically including treatment consisting of both disinfection and filtration treatment for public water systems that use a surface water source or a groundwater source under the direct influence of surface water and serve fewer than 10,000 people (Article 7), the Sedalia WSD shall upgrade, as needed, the System's water sources and/or treatment processes in accordance with the following schedule:
- a. By December 15, 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*.
    - i. 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).
  - b. By March 30, 2011, complete a Request for Proposal (bid documents) package and submit it to qualified Professional Engineers (licensed in Colorado and experience in drinking water systems).
  - c. By May 29, 2011, have a contract in place with a Professional Engineer to construct/implement the Department approved System improvements.
  - d. By June 28, 2011, begin construction/implementation of the Department approved System improvements.
  - e. By November 25, 2011, achieve substantial completion of the Department approved System improvements.
  - f. By January 24, 2012, achieve final completion of the Department approved System improvements to ensure long-term compliance with the disinfection and filtration treatment requirements of Article 7.
  - g. By February 10, 2012, submit a Professional Engineer's Certification that the System improvements to comply with the disinfection and filtration treatment requirements of Article 7 were constructed/installed as approved by the Department.
31. Until the Sedalia WSD has implemented and finalized treatment process improvements to ensure long-term compliance with disinfection and filtration treatment requirements, the Sedalia WSD shall implement the following interim measures:
- a. Pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §7.1.2(a)(1), once a groundwater source has been determined, through the results of a microscopic particulate analysis, visual well inspection or correlation of source water parameters with surface conditions, to be under the direct influence of surface water, the System must provide disinfection treatment, as specified in 5 CCR 1003-1, §7.1.2(c), beginning sixty (60) days from the date the System has been reclassified.
  - b. Total treatment must be sufficient to provide both 3-log inactivation of *Giardia Lamblia* cysts and 4 log inactivation of viruses. 5 CCR 1003-1, §§7.1.1(a) and 7.1.2(c)(1).

- c. By February 28, 2011, the System must provide the Department with calculations, operating data, and water quality data justifying that sufficient treatment is being achieved on a continuous basis with disinfection alone. The Department may, within its discretion, establish a minimum disinfectant residual appropriate to, and derived from, the operating data and water quality data provided by the System.
32. By March 1, 2011, the System must begin collecting and recording at least one disinfectant residual sample per day in accordance with 5 CCR 1003, §7.1.4(a)(2), Table 7-1.
  - a. If at any time the residual disinfectant concentration entering the distribution system falls below 0.2 mg/L, or the Division established minimum disinfectant residual, the System must take a sample every four (4) hours until the residual disinfectant concentration is equal to or greater than 0.2 mg/L or the Division established minimum disinfectant residual.
33. The Sedalia WSD shall comply with the disinfectant residual reporting and notification requirements outlined in 5 CCR 1003-1, §§7.1.5(a)(2)-(3). The System shall report the disinfectant residual to the Department by no later than February 10, 2011, and monthly thereafter.
34. Sedalia WSD shall submit "System Improvement Project - Progress Reports" to the Department each calendar quarter. The first report shall be submitted to the Department by January 1, 2011. At a minimum, each report shall clearly indicate the status of Sedalia WSD's compliance with this Enforcement Order and outline activities to be undertaken by Sedalia WSD to maintain compliance with this Order within the next thirty (30) calendar days. These reports shall be required until the System has demonstrated reliable and consistent compliance with the requirements of 5 CCR 1003-1, §7.1.3(b).
35. By no later than February 28, 2011, and each calendar quarter thereafter, Sedalia WSD shall issue a public notice in accordance with 5 CCR 1003-1, Article 9.2, for its failure to provide filtration treatment of its distributed water until Sedalia WSD has effectively addressed and returned to compliance with the filtration treatment requirements outlined in 5 CCR 1003-1, §7.1.3(b). Within ten (10) calendar days of completion of each required public notification, Sedalia WSD 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 as Exhibit A).*
36. Within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of this Order, if it has not already done so, Sedalia WSD shall issue a public notice in accordance with 5 CCR 1003-1, §9.2, for its failure to monitor and/or report for synthetic organic chemicals for the compliance period of calendar year 2005 through 2007, pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §§6.2.6(a) and 6.2.3(e). Within ten (10) calendar days of completion of each required public notification, Sedalia WSD shall submit to the Department, along with the mandatory certification, a representative copy of the notice distributed, published, posted, and/or made available to the persons served by the system and/or to the media.

37. Within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of this Order, if it has not already done so, Sedalia WSD shall issue a public notice in accordance with 5 CCR 1003-1, §9.2, for its failure to comply with the maximum contaminant level for microbiological contaminants, pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §§2.3 and 5.7(a). Within ten (10) calendar days of completion of each required public notification, Sedalia WSD shall submit to the Department, along with the mandatory certification, a representative copy of the notice distributed, published, posted, and/or made available to the persons served by the system and/or to the media.

### **NOTICES AND SUBMITTALS**

38. For all documents, plans, records, reports and replies required to be submitted by this order, Sedalia WSD 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-B2-CAS  
Compliance Assurance Section  
Attention: Lauren Worley  
4300 Cherry Creek Drive South  
Denver, Colorado 80246-1530  
Email: lauren.worley@state.co.us  
Fax: (303) 782-0390

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

39. All reports, notices, summaries, and certifications required to be submitted to the Division by the public water system must bear the original signature of the owner or the owner's authorized representative.

### **NOTICE OF COMPLETION**

40. Sedalia WSD shall submit a Notice of Completion to the Division upon satisfactory completion of all requirements of this Enforcement Order. The Division shall either accept or reject the Notice of Completion in writing. If the Division rejects the Notice of Completion, it shall include in its notice a statement identifying the requirements that the Division considers incomplete or not satisfactorily performed and a schedule for completion. If Sedalia WSD wishes to dispute the Division's rejection of its Notice of Completion, it shall, within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt of the Division's rejection, submit a written statement as to its belief of full compliance, addressing in detail all concerns the Division raised in the rejection letter to the System's Notice of Completion.

### **PRIOR APPROVAL REQUIRED**

41. Pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §1.11.2, no person shall commence construction of any new waterworks, or make improvements to or modify the treatment process of an existing waterworks, or initiate use of a new source, until plans and specifications for such construction, improvements, modifications or use have been submitted to, and approved by the Department. A Professional Engineer registered in the State of Colorado shall design all treatment systems serving a community water supply. The Department shall grant such approval when it finds that the proposed facilities are capable of complying, on a continuous basis, with all applicable laws, standards, rules and regulations.

### **POTENTIAL ADMINISTRATIVE/CIVIL AND CRIMINAL PENALTIES**

42. You are also advised, pursuant to §25-1-114.1, C.R.S., that violators of the Regulations or final Enforcement Orders issued by the Department are subject to civil or administrative penalties of up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per violation per day, to be imposed by the Department or a State District Court. Further, pursuant to §25-1-114(4), C.R.S., any person, association, or corporation, or the officers thereof, who violates, disobeys, or disregards any provision of the Regulations or an Enforcement Order is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one (1) year, or by both such fine and imprisonment and, in addition to such fine and imprisonment, shall be liable for any expense incurred by health authorities in removing any nuisance, source of filth, or cause of sickness. By virtue of issuing this Enforcement Order, the Department has not waived its right to bring an action for administrative, civil or criminal penalties and may bring such action in the future.

### **REQUEST FOR HEARING OR APPEAL**

43. You are further advised, pursuant to 5 CCR 1003-1, §1.6.7(g), that a recipient of an Enforcement Order may request a hearing contesting such order. Requests for such a hearing shall be filed in writing with the Department within thirty (30) calendar days after service of the order. Such requests, at a minimum, shall contain the information specified in 5 CCR 1003-1, §1.6.7(g) and 5 CCR 1002-21, §21.4(B)(2). Hearings on Enforcement Orders shall be held in accordance with applicable provisions of the State Administrative Procedure Act, Article 4 of Title 24, C.R.S. and the procedural rules promulgated in 5 CCR 1002-21.

### **ADDITIONAL ACTION**

44. You are further advised that under §25-1-114.1(1), C.R.S., the Department may institute a civil action against any person who violates a final Enforcement Order of the Department issued for violation of any minimum general sanitary standard or regulation adopted pursuant to §25-1.5-203, C.R.S.

45. Additionally, the Department may request the Attorney General to seek a temporary restraining order or permanent injunction to prevent or abate any violation of a minimum general sanitary standard or regulation adopted pursuant to §25-1.5-203, C.R.S. Further information concerning the aforementioned action is contained in §25-1-114.1(3), C.R.S.

Issued at Denver, Colorado, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2011.

**FOR THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT**

  
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Lori M. Gerzina, Section Manager  
Compliance Assurance Section  
Water Quality Control Division

**Instructions for SWTR Failure to Filter Notification-PN205/01**

**Template on Reverse**

Since surface water treatment technique violations are included in Tier 2, you must provide Public Notification to persons served as soon as practical but within 30 days after you learn of the violation. You must issue a repeat Public Notification every three months for as long as the violation persists. Community systems must use one of the following methods:

- ✓ Hand or direct delivery
- ✓ Mail, as a separate Public Notification or included with the bill

Non-Community systems must use one of the following methods:

- ✓ Posting in conspicuous locations
- ✓ Hand delivery
- ✓ Mail

In addition, you must use *another* method reasonably calculated to reach others if they would not be reached by the first method. Such methods could include newspapers, e-mail, or delivery to community organizations. If you mail, post, or hand deliver, print your Public Notification on letterhead, if available.

The Public Notification on the reverse is appropriate for hand delivery or mail. However, you may wish to modify it before using it for posting. If you do, you must still include all the required elements and leave the health effects language in *italics* unchanged. This language is mandatory.

**Corrective Action**

In your Public Notification, describe corrective actions you are taking. Listed below are some steps commonly taken by water systems with surface water treatment technique violations. Use one or more of the following actions, if appropriate, or develop your own:

- ✓ Our filtration system needs upgrades to meet the requirements.
- ✓ We are installing filtration. We expect that the filtration system will be operational by [month, year].
- ✓ We are monitoring for turbidity (cloudiness), disinfectant levels, and the presence of bacteria. We continue to meet the standards for these measurements.

**Repeat Public Notifications**

For repeat Public Notifications, you should state how long the violation has been ongoing and remind consumers of when you sent out the previous Public Notification. If you are making progress in installing filtration, describe it. Alternatively, if funding or other issues are delaying installation, let consumers know.

Exhibit A

**After Issuing the Public Notification**

Make sure to send the Rule Specialist at the CDPHE/WQCD copies of all Public Notification(s) and a certification that you have met the Public Notification requirements within ten days after you issued the Public Notification.

(THIS IS APPROPRIATE FOR COMMUNITY AND NON-COMMUNITY PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS)  
**TIER 2 - IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR  
DRINKING WATER**  
**[System Name] Does Not Meet Treatment Requirements**

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this situation does not require that you take immediate action, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

On [date], the CDPHE/WQCD ordered us to filter the water in addition to disinfecting. We are required to install this filtration because we do not have an adequate filtration in place.

**What should I do?**

- ✓ **You do not need to boil your water.** However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor. A home filter will not necessarily solve the problem, because not all home filters protect against parasites. Call NSF International at 1-800-NSF-8010 or the Water Quality Association at 1-800-749-0234 for information on appropriate filters.

People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice from their health care providers about drinking water. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

**What does this mean?**

This is not a situation requiring that you take immediate action. If it had been you would have been notified immediately. We do not know of any cases of contamination. However, until improvements are made, there is an increased chance that disease-causing organisms could contaminate the water supply.

*Inadequately treated water may contain disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites, which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches. These symptoms, however, are not caused only by organisms in drinking water. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice.*

**What happened? What is being done?**

Filtration is the best method for removing these organisms. [Describe corrective action.]

We anticipate resolving the problem within [estimated time frame]. Until filtration is installed, you will receive a Public Notification similar to this every three months. For more information, please contact [name of contact] at [phone number] or [mailing address].

*Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this Public Notification directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this Public Notification in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.*

This Public Notification is being sent to you by [system name]  
Colorado Public Water System ID#: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date distributed: \_\_\_\_\_