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CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL PROGRAM

For

TOWN OF LA JARA WATER SYSTEM

Introduction

This Policy addresses Article 12 of the Colorado Primary Drinking Water Regulations that states a public water system shall have no uncontrolled cross-connections to a pipe, fixture, or supply, any of which contain water not meeting provisions of the drinking water regulation.

A cross-connection is any point in a water distribution system where chemical, biological or radiological contaminants may come into contact with potable water. During a backflow event, these contaminants can be drawn or pushed back into the potable water system. A backflow prevention device installed at every point of cross-connection prevents contaminated water from entering the potable water distribution system.

Any hazardous cross-connection discovered to be uncontrolled will be corrected within 10 days or the water service will be shut off. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPH&E) will be informed of the hazardous connection and the corrective action being taken.

Identification of Potential Cross-Connections

Per Article 12, the La Jara Water System operator performed a survey of the public water system on July 8, 2005, and identified a list of potentially hazardous cross-connection, prioritized by degree of hazard. This list is included on the attached "Potential Cross-Connections" list. From this date forward, any new water service installation will be inspected for compliance with these requirements for backflow prevention.

Public Education

The La Jara Water System director will educate system users about the potential health risk that cross-connections pose, with an emphasis on cross-connections at or within homes and other residences.

Installation of Devices

The La Jara Water System director will require system users to install and maintain backflow prevention devices on potentially hazardous service connection, as stated in Article 12. All service connections within the water system must comply with Article 12 and the *Colorado Cross-Connedtion control Manual*.

Each cross-connection may require a different type of backflow prevention device, commensurate with the degree of hazard posed by the cross-connection. Approval for the devices needs to be given by the water system operator or water system engineer.

Adopted by unanimous vote at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Town of La Jara on December 8, 2005.