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## State Water Resources Control Board

Division of Drinking Water

March 17, 2015  
System No.: 1000410

Mr. Carl Adkins  
Shorty's Place  
9553 S. Goldenstate, Apt #4 (Office)  
Selma, CA 93662

RE: **Citation No. 03-23-15C-007 with Administrative Penalty**  
**Violation of Title 22, California Code of Regulations, Section 64423,**  
**Total Coliform Monitoring and Reporting August 2014 through January 2015**

Dear Mr. Adkins:

The State Water Resources Control Board – Division of Drinking Water (Division) has reviewed the status of bacteriological monitoring for Shorty's Place water system and has determined that there has been a failure to report any bacteriological monitoring results to the Division for the water system since July 2014. In the absence of coliform data, our Division has no basis to determine that the water is safe to drink.

Enclosed is a Citation issued to the Shorty's Place public water system. The Citation includes penalties that will continue to be assessed monthly for failure to comply with the Citation. As of the date of this letter, the penalty is \$600.00. **Please note that the Division will consider suspending the Water System's obligation to pay the penalties if the Water System complies with the specific directives in the Citation by the specified due dates and continues to maintain compliance through December 31, 2015.**

Additionally, the Water System will be billed at the Division's hourly rate (currently estimated at \$126.00) for the time spent on issuing this Citation. The California Health and Safety Code Section 116577 provides that a public water system must reimburse the Division for actual costs incurred by the Division for specified enforcement actions, including but not limited to, preparing, issuing and monitoring compliance with a citation. At this time, the Division has spent approximately one hour on enforcement activities associated with this violation.

The Water System will receive a bill sent from the Division of Drinking Water Fee Billing Unit in August of the next fiscal year. This bill will contain fees for any enforcement time spent on Shorty's Place for the current fiscal year.

If you have any questions regarding this letter and the enclosed citation, please contact the Fresno District office at (559) 447-3300.

Sincerely,



Betsy S. Lichti, P.E.

Senior Sanitary Engineer, Fresno District  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BRANCH  
DRINKING WATER FIELD OPERATIONS

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER

IN RE: **SHORTY'S PLACE WATER SYSTEM**  
Water System No. 1000410

TO: Mr. Carl Adkins, Owner  
9553 S. Goldenstate, Apt #4 (Office)  
Selma, CA 93662

CITATION FOR VIOLATION OF  
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22,  
SECTION 64423 – TOTAL COLIFORM MONITORING AND REPORTING

**August, September, October, November and December 2014 and January 2015**

**Issued on March 10, 2015**

Section 116650 of the California Health and Safety Code authorizes the issuance of a citation to a public water system for violation of the California Safe Drinking Water Act (Health and Safety Code, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4, commencing with Section 116270) (hereinafter "California SDWA"), or any regulation, standard, permit or order issued or adopted thereunder.

The State Water Resources Control Board (hereinafter "Board"), acting by and through its Division of Drinking Water (hereinafter "Division") and the Deputy Director for the Division (hereinafter "Deputy Director"), hereby issues a citation to the Shorty's Place (hereinafter "Water System") (9553 Goldenstate Blvd., #4, Selma, CA 93662) for violation of California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 22, Section 64423.

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2 **APPLICABLE AUTHORITIES**

3 The applicable statutes and regulations are provided in Attachment A, attached hereto and  
4 incorporated by reference.

5 **STATEMENT OF FACTS**

6 The Shorty's Place water system is an existing community water system in Fresno County,  
7 serving approximately twenty-five (25) persons through six (6) residential connections. The  
8 Division has had regulatory oversight of this water system since September 2007 when the  
9 Fresno County Environmental Health Department (FCEHD) gave up jurisdiction of the small  
10 water systems in Fresno County.

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12 Division records show that the last permit was issued in October of 1985 by FCEHD to Mr. Carl  
13 Adkins.

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15 **History**

16 The Water System has had significant monitoring and reporting failures, resulting in the issuance  
17 of multiple enforcement letters and citations. The following table summarizes Enforcement  
18 Actions issued by the Division to the Shorty's Place Water System:

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Enforcement No.	Violation Description	Issued
03-12-08E-008	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – Aug, Oct, Nov 2007	2/15/2008
03-12-08E-062	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – Aug & Dec 2007	3/13/2008
03-12-08E-125	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – Feb 2008	4/4/2008
03-12-08E-145	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – Mar 2008	4/24/2008
03-23-09E-014	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – Dec 2008	1/30/2009
03-23-08E-058	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – April 2009	6/1/2009
03-23-09E-191	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – June 2009	8/25/2009

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03-23-09C-070	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – June, July, Aug 2009	10/5/2009
03-23-09E-292	No 2008 ARDWP	10/30/2009
03-23-10C-012	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – Aug, Sep, Oct 2009 & PN	2/8/2010
03-23-10E-097	No D1 Operator	7/26/2010
03-23-10C-075	No 2008 or 2009 ARDWP	10/12/2010
03-23-10C-090	No 2009 CCR	12/16/2010
03-23-11E-012	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – Sep 2010	1/10/2011
03-23-11C-044	No 2010 Nitrate	4/13/2011
03-23-11E-122	No 2010 ARDWP	7/19/2011
03-23-11E-151	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – July 2011	9/13/2011
03-23-11C-086	No 2010 ARDWP	11/29/2011
03-23-11E-189	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – October 2011	12/01/2011
03-23-12E-086	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – Dec '11-Jan-Feb-Mar'12	7/3/2012
03-23-12C-070	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting–July-Aug-Sep-Oct-Nov'12	12/28/2012
03-23-13C-003	No 2011 CCR	1/17/2013
03-23-13E-019	Lead & Copper Monitoring	5/2/2013
03-23-13E-037	No 2012 Nitrate	5/3/2013
03-23-13E-093	No 2012 ARDWP	7/10/2013
03-23-13C-037	No 2012 ARDWP	9/3/2013
03-23-14C-021	No 2013 Nitrate	3/7/2014
03-23-14C-030	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – Nov, Dec '13, Jan, Mar '14	4/15/2014
03-23-14C-021	No 2013 Nitrate	5/5/2014
03-23-14C-039	No 2012 CCR	5/19/2014
03-23-14E-050	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting April 2014	8/20/2014
03-23-14E-051	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – May, June 2014	8/20/2014
03-23-14C-057	No 2013 ARDWP	9/4/2014
03-23-14E-073	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting – Aug, Sep 2014	11/17/2014
03-23-14C-088	No 2013 CCR	12/30/2014
03-23-15C-019	Lead & Copper Monitoring	2/4/2015
03-23-15C-007	Total Coliform Monitoring & Reporting Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec '14 & Jan '15	2/25/2015

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2 **Failure to Conduct Bacteriological Monitoring**

3 Title 22, CCR, Section 64423(a)(3) specifies that the minimum number of routine bacteriological  
4 samples for community water systems that use groundwater and serve 1,000 or fewer persons a  
5 month, shall be one bacteriological sample in each month.  
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7 The Division has not received bacteriological sample results for the months of August,  
8 September, October, November, December of 2014 or for January of 2015.  
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10 As of the date of this Citation, the Division has not received any coliform bacteria results for the  
11 Water system since July 31, 2014, resulting in six consecutive months with no bacteriological  
12 monitoring to demonstrate that the water is safe to drink. For the 2014 calendar year, the Water  
13 System failed to collect and report coliform bacteria results in eight of the twelve months.  
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15 A summary of the bacteriological monitoring since January 2014 is provided in Attachment B.  
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17 **DETERMINATION**

18 The Division has determined that the Shorty's Place has failed to comply with Section 116555(a)  
19 of the CHSC and DIVISION 4, Chapter 15, Article 3 of Title 22, California Code of Regulation  
20 (CCR). Specifically, the Water System failed to comply with the primary standard for  
21 bacteriological water quality for August, September, October, November, December of 2014 and  
22 January 2015 in that the Water System has not collected or reported bacteriological monitoring  
23 results nor has it provided proof that the Water System users were notified of the violations.  
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2 **NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

3 Section 116450 of the California Health and Safety Code (CHSC, specifies that whenever a  
4 monitoring requirement specified in the Division's regulations is not performed, the person  
5 operating the public water system shall notify the Division and shall give notice to the users of  
6 that fact in the manner prescribed by the Division.  
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8 Public notification for failure to conduct the required bacteriological monitoring for the months of  
9 August, September, October, November and December of 2014 and January of 2015 is  
10 required. This notice is provided as Attachment C and shall be given pursuant to Section  
11 64463.4 and 64465.  
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13 Section 64463.4 allows community water systems to give public notice by mail or direct delivery  
14 to each customer and the use of one or more of the following methods in order to reach persons  
15 not likely to be reached by mail or direct delivery: publication in a daily or weekly newspaper,  
16 posting the public notice in a conspicuous public place within the water system or on the internet,  
17 or by delivery to community organizations.  
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20 The Water System shall mail or directly deliver the public notice to their customers within the  
21 water system. Section 116450(g) requires that upon receipt of notification from a public water  
22 system, schools must notify school employees, students, and parents (if the students are  
23 minors), residential rental property owners or managers (including nursing homes and care  
24 facilities) must notify their tenants and business property owners, managers or operators must  
25 notify employees of businesses located on the property. These secondary notification  
26 requirements are included in the public notice.  
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3 Proof of notification is required. The Water System shall complete Attachment D and return it to  
4 the Department by March 31, 2015.

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7 **ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES**

8 PURSUANT TO HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 116650

9 Sections 116650(d) and 116650(e) of the CHSC allow for the assessment of a civil penalty for  
10 failure to comply with requirements of the California Safe Drinking Water Act. Despite all efforts  
11 by the Division to work with the Water System, the Shorty's Place water system has failed to  
12 comply with the requirements for domestic water supply permitting and for distribution system  
13 bacteriological monitoring and reporting. Therefore, the Division hereby assesses a continuing  
14 administrative penalty upon the Sierra Inn water system as follows:

15 A penalty of \$100 per month for each month that the Water System continues to violate the  
16 CHSC and California Code of Regulation is hereby assessed. As of the date of issuance of this  
17 Citation, the total penalty amounts to \$600.00 for six months of violation.

18 Directive No. 5 describes the requirements for the payment of the Penalty and conditions for the  
19 waiver of the Penalty if compliance is achieved.  
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2 **DIRECTIVES**

3 The Shorty's Place is hereby directed to take the following actions:  
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5 1. The Water System shall immediately collect a routine bacteriological sample from the  
6 Shorty's Place Water System in accordance with the approved BSSP, and the results shall  
7 be submitted to the Division no later than **March 31, 2015**. If the analytical result is negative  
8 or absent for total coliform bacteria, the system may resume its monthly bacteriological  
9 sampling frequency.

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11 2. The Water System shall immediately provide public notification (using Attachment C) of the  
12 failure to maintain the required bacteriological monitoring and reporting program by mailing  
13 or direct delivery to consumers and by an additional secondary method in order to reach  
14 persons not likely to be reached by mail or direct delivery.

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16 By **March 31, 2015**, the Water System shall provide proof of direct delivery and posting of  
17 the notice by completing Attachment D and returning it to the Division.

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19 3. Pursuant to Section 64423, the Water System shall initiate and maintain a bacteriological  
20 monitoring program required by Title 22, CCR Section 64423 by collecting one (1) sample  
21 each month and shall report the analytical results to the Division at the above address no  
22 later than the tenth date of the following month. The requirements are summarized in  
23 Attachment E, "Bacteriological Monitoring Requirements for Small Water Systems".  
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2 4. The Water System shall also require their contracting laboratory to submit copies of all  
3 bacteriological monitoring results directly to the Division pursuant to Section 64423.1(c)(2).  
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5 5. The Water System is directed to pay the penalty of \$600.00 (six hundred dollars) within 30  
6 days of receipt of this citation. Payment shall be made by check made payable to the State  
7 Water Resources Control Board – Division of Drinking Water. Further instruction on submittal  
8 of the payment is provided in Attachment F, "Notice of Citation Issuance". **However, if the**  
9 **Water System complies with Directives Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, by March 31, 2015, the**  
10 **Division will consider, at its sole discretion, suspending the penalty through**  
11 **December 31, 2015, and will provide written notice to the Water System of its decision.**  
12 **Additionally, if the Water System complies with all monitoring and reporting**  
13 **requirements established by the Division through December 31, 2015, it will consider,**  
14 **at its sole discretion, terminating the requirement to pay the penalty and will provide**  
15 **written notice to the Water System of its decision.**  
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17 The Division reserves the right to make such modifications to the Citation as it may deem  
18 necessary to protect public health and safety. Such modifications may be issued as amendments  
19 to this Citation and shall be effective upon issuance.  
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21 Nothing in this Citation relieves Shorty's Place of its obligation to meet the requirements of the  
22 California Safe Drinking Water Act or any regulation, standard, permit or order issued  
23 thereunder.  
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25 All submittal required by this Citation shall be submitted to the Division at the following address:  
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2 Betsy Lichti, P.E.  
3 Senior Sanitary Engineer  
4 State Water Resources Control Board  
5 Division of Drinking Water  
6 265 W. Bullard Avenue, Suite 101  
7 Fresno, CA 93704

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9 **PARTIES BOUND**

10 This Citation shall apply to and be binding upon the Shorty's Place, its officers, directors, agents,  
11 employees, contractors, successors, and assignees.

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13 **SEVERABILITY**

14 The Directives of this Citation are severable, and the Shorty's Place shall comply with each and  
15 every provision thereof notwithstanding the effectiveness of any provision.

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2 **FURTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION**

3 The California SDWA authorizes the Board to: issue citation with assessment of administrative  
4 penalties to a public water system for violation or continued violation of the requirements of the  
5 California SDWA or any permit, regulation or order issued or adopted thereunder including, but  
6 not limited to, failure to correct a violation identified in a citation or compliance order. The  
7 California SDWA also authorizes the Board to take action to suspend or revoke a permit that has  
8 been issued to a public water system if the system has violated applicable law or regulations or  
9 has failed to comply with an order of the Board; and to petition the superior court to take various  
10 enforcement measures against a public water system that has failed to comply with an order of  
11 the Board. The Board does not waive any further enforcement action by issuance of this citation.  
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14 3-10-2015  
15 Date

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17 Carl Carlucci, P.E., Chief  
18 Central California Section  
19 Drinking Water Field Operations  
20 Division of Drinking Water  
21 State Water Resources Control Board

22 *CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT NO.*  
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24 CRC/EL

25 **Attachments:**

- 26 Attachment A: Applicable Authorities  
27 Attachment B: Summary of Bacteriological Samples from January 2014 to present  
Attachment C: Public Notice  
Attachment D: Proof of Notification Form  
Attachment E: Bacteriological Monitoring Requirements for Small Water Systems  
Attachment F: Notice of Citation Issuance

## Attachment A

### Applicable Statues and Regulations for Citation No. 03-23-15C-007

#### APPLICABLE AUTHORITIES

Section 116650 of California Health and Safety Code provides:

(a) If the department determines that a public water system is in violation of this chapter or any regulation, permit, standard, citation, or order issued or adopted thereunder, the department may issue a citation to the public water system. The citation shall be served upon the public water system personally or by certified mail. Service shall be deemed effective as of the date of personal service or the date of receipt of the certified mail. If a person to whom a citation is directed refuses to accept delivery of the certified mail, the date of service shall be deemed to be the date of mailing.

(b) Each citation shall be in writing and shall describe the nature of the violation or violations, including a reference to the statutory provision, standard, order, citation, permit, or regulation alleged to have been violated.

(c) A citation may specify a date for elimination or correction of the condition constituting the violation.

(d) A citation may include the assessment of a penalty as specified in subdivision (e).

(e) The department may assess a penalty in an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per day for each day that a violation occurred, and for each day that a violation continues to occur. A separate penalty may be assessed for each violation.

California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 64423, provides, in relevant part:

Section 64423(a)(1): The minimum number of routine bacteriological samples for this community water system using groundwater and serving 1000 or fewer persons a month shall be one sample per month.

Section 64423.1(c): The analytical results of all required samples collected for a system in a calendar month shall be reported to the Department not later than the tenth day of the following month.

Section 64423.1(c)(2): Systems serving fewer than 10,000 service connections or 33,000 persons to instruct the laboratory to submit copies of all required bacteriological monitoring results directly to the Department.

# Bacteriological Distribution Monitoring Report

**1000410 Shorty's Place**
**Distribution System Freq: 1/M**

Sample Date	Time	Location	T Coli	E Coli	F Coli	Type	CI2	Violation	Comment
1/31/2014		No Sample						MR1	4/7/14 Issued Cit 03-23-14C-030
2/28/2014	16:15	1410000	A	A		Routine			
3/31/2014		No Sample						MR1	4/7/14 Issued Cit 03-23-14C-030
4/30/2014		No Sample						MR1	8/21/14 Issued 03-23-14E-050
5/30/2014	13:30	141000	P	A		Routine		MR5	8/21/14 Issued 03-23-14E-051
6/2/2014	16:10	141000	A	A		Routine		MR4	8/21/14 Issued 03-23-14E-051
7/31/2014	17:04	14100	A	A		Routine			
8/31/2014		No Sample						MR1	11/17/14 03-23-14E-073
9/30/2014		No Sample						MR1	11/17/14 03-23-14E-073
10/31/2014		No Sample						MR1	11/17/14 03-23-14E-073
11/30/2014		No Sample						MR1	3/10/15 Issued 03-23-15C-007
12/31/2014		No Sample						MR1	3/10/15 Issued 03-23-15C-007
1/31/2015		No Sample						MR1	3/10/15 Issued 03-23-15C-007

**Violation Key**

MCL	Exceeds the maximum contaminant level	MR5	Incorrect number of repeat samples as follow-up to a positive sample
MR1	No monthly sample for the report month	MR6	No source sample
MR2	No quarterly sample for the report month	MR7	No summary report submitted
MR3	Incorrect number of routine samples for the report month	MR8	Other comments and/or info
MR4	Did not collect 5 routine samples for previous month's positive sample	MR9	CI2 not reported

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER**

**Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.  
Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.**

### Bacteriological Monitoring Requirements Not Met for Shorty's Place

Our water system failed to monitor as required for a drinking water monitoring standard during August, September, October, November and December 2014 and January 2015 and, therefore, was in violation of the regulations. Even though this failure was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what you should do, what happened and what we did to correct this situation.

*We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During the months of August, September, October, November and December 2014, we did not monitor or test for total coliform bacteria and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.*

**What should I do?**

- There is nothing you need to do at this time.
- The table below lists the contaminant we did not properly test for during the last year, how many samples we are required to take and how often, how many samples we many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which follow-up samples were (or will be) taken.

Contaminant	Required sampling frequency	Number of samples taken	When all samples should have been taken	When samples were or will be taken
Total coliform bacteria	1 per month	_____	_____	_____

- If you have health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

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

Corrective action:

For more information, please 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 notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.*

**Secondary Notification Requirements**

Upon receipt of notification from a person operating a public water system, the following notification must be given within 10 days [Health and Safety Code Section 116450(g)]:

- **SCHOOLS:** Must notify school employees, students, and parents (if the students are minors).
- **RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS OR MANAGERS** (including nursing homes and care facilities): Must notify tenants.
- **BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, OR OPERATORS:** Must notify employees of businesses located on the property.



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**ATTACHMENT D**

**PROOF OF NOTIFICATION**

(Return with copy of notice)

As required by Section 116450 of the California Health and Safety Code, I notified all users of water supplied by the **Shorty's Place water system** of the failure to meet the **Monitoring and Reporting Requirement for Coliform bacteria sampling for the months of August, September, October, November and December 2014 and January 2015.**

Notification was made on \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

hand delivered and/or mailed and/or posted written notice.  
(circle all that apply)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Water System Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**DISCLOSURE:** Be advised that Section 116725 and 116730 of the California Health and Safety Code state that any person who knowingly makes any false statement on any report or document submitted for the purpose of compliance with the attached order may be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for separate violation for each day that violation continues. In addition, the violators may be prosecuted in criminal court and upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 for each day of violation, or be imprisoned in the county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.

Due to the Department: March 31, 2015

Total Coliform M&R Violation: August, September, October, November and December 2014 and January 2015

System Number: 1000410

Enforcement Action No.: 03-23-15E-007

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**State Water Resources Control Board**  
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**BACTERIOLOGICAL MONITORING REQUIREMENTS**  
**For Small Water Systems**

**1. Minimum Monitoring Frequency**

Community Water System	1 per month
Nontransient Noncommunity	1 per month
Transient Noncommunity (groundwater)	1 per quarter
Transient Noncommunity (surface water)	1 per month

An increased monitoring frequency may be required if there is more than one pressure zone in the distribution system, if there are multiple sources or storage reservoirs, or if the daily population served is greater than 1,000. If your system is providing continuous chlorination treatment, closely review Item 6 below.

**2. Routine and Repeat Sampling**

All **routine samples** should be collected from the distribution system (not from the well) at locations specified in an approved Bacteriological Sample Siting Plan. If such a plan has not been prepared for your water system, contact the Division for assistance.

**3. Repeat Monitoring After a Coliform-Positive Sample**

**Notification of a Coliform-Positive Sample** - The water system shall require the laboratory to notify the system within 24 hours if any sample is coliform-positive. The water system must collect a repeat sample set within 24 hours of notification of the coliform-positive sample. **If the sample is fecal coliform- or *E. coli*-positive, the water system should contact the Division immediately.**

**Repeat Sampling** - *For systems collecting only one sample per month or quarter*, a repeat sample set shall consist of at least four (4) samples as follows: one (1) from the routine sample site at which the positive occurred, one (1) from the upstream repeat sample site, one (1) from the downstream repeat sample site and one (1) from each active source.

*For systems collecting more than one sample per month*, a repeat sample set shall consist of three (3) samples as follows: one (1) from the routine sample site at which the positive occurred, one (1) from the upstream repeat sample site, and one (1) from the downstream repeat sample site.

The repeat sample sites shall be located within five service connections upstream and downstream of the routine site as identified in the Bacteriological Sample Siting Plan. At least one repeat sample shall be collected from upstream and one from downstream unless there is no upstream or downstream service connection. Contact the Division as soon as the results of the repeat samples are obtained.

The following criteria should be considered when determining where to collect the fourth repeat sample:

- For systems with only one active well and do not provide continuous chlorination, the sample may be collected at the wellhead.
- For systems with more than one active well, it may not be possible to determine which well was serving the area where the positive routine sample was collected. For these systems, repeat samples should be taken at each wellhead.
- For systems providing continuous chlorination, the system should already be conducting raw-water bacteriological monitoring at a point ahead of chlorination on at least a quarterly basis. These samples should be used to determine if the source of bacteriological contamination is from the well itself. For these systems, the fourth repeat sample should be collected at a storage tank or another point in the distribution system.
- Contact the Division for assistance.

If any of the above criteria would result in a change or revision to your existing bacteriological sample-siting plan, you must first submit a revised plan to our office for review and approval before implementing any such change or revision.

Any additional samples collected from the well(s) for investigative purposes (*not part of the repeat sample set*) should be labeled as “special” samples (or “other” samples), and will not be counted towards compliance with the monthly total coliform water quality standards.

**Sampling the Month Following a Coliform-Positive Sample - If a public water system for which fewer than five routine samples/month are collected has one or more total coliform-positive samples, the water supplier shall collect at least five routine samples the following month. These samples can be collected on the same day from five different routine sites or from the same routine sites at 15 minute intervals (if fewer than five sites are available). If all five samples are negative for total coliform, the water system may return to the normal sampling frequency during the next sampling period.**

#### **4. Determining Compliance with the Coliform Standard**

A public water system will fail the coliform maximum contaminant level (MCL) if: For a public water which collects fewer than 40 samples per month, at least two samples collected in the same month are coliform-positive. When this occurs, the water system representative shall contact the Division immediately (within 24-hours or the next business day if the office is closed). The water system will be required to conduct public notification and will be

provided with an approved notification to be used. Public notification shall be conducted by direct mail, hand delivery or posting (where approved).

#### **5. Monthly Reporting of Coliform Monitoring Results**

The analytical results of all coliform monitoring shall be reported to the Division by the 10th day of the month following sample collection. The water system can request the laboratory to provide the results to the Division; however, the water system is ultimately responsible to ensure that the sample results were received. If the water delivered to your water system is provided with a disinfection treatment, the chlorine residual should be measured and reported at the same time and location(s) that the bacteriological sample(s) are collected. This residual must be provided to the Division on the laboratory analysis report at this time.

#### **6. Bacteriological Monitoring of Wells (for systems chlorinating)**

Water systems that are routinely chlorinating the water supply are required to sample the raw well water for coliform bacteria. Initially, a minimum of six consecutive monthly samples must be collected from the well discharge. The samples must be collected at a location ahead of chlorination. After six consecutive monthly samples do not show the presence of coliform bacteria, the water system may request a reduction in sampling to one sample per quarter. The laboratory should be instructed to determine the most probable number of coliform (MPN) for well samples. The results of all samples shall be submitted to the Division.

**DRINKING WATER FIELD OPERATIONS BRANCH**

**NOTICE OF CITATION ISSUANCE  
CIVIL PENALTY**

**BACKGROUND STATEMENT**

On February 26, 2015, the Drinking Water Field Operations Branch of the State Water Resources Control Board – Division of Drinking Water, issued Citation No. 03-23-15C-007 to the Shorty's Place water system (System #1000410).

**This Citation carries a fine of \$600.00 (six hundred dollars).**

**METHOD OF PAYMENT**

By **March 31, 2015**, please submit a check in the amount of \$600.00 and make payable to:

**CALIFORNIA STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
ACCOUNTING OFFICE**

and mail to:

SWRCB Accounting Office  
**ATTN: Drinking Water Program**  
P.O. Box 1888  
Sacramento, CA 95812-1888

**Attn: Perin Peebles**

(Please indicate the Citation Number on the Check)

(Attach Check Here)