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CITATION NO. 02_03_16C_027 FOR PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM #1700519 TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANE (TTHM) AND HALOACETIC ACID (HAA5) –MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL VIOLATIONS SECOND QUARTER 2016

Enclosed is a citation issued to the Crescent Bay Improvement Company (System) by the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (Division) for failure to comply with the TTHM locational running annual average maximum contaminant level (LRAA MCL) and the HAA5 LRAA MCL during the second quarter of 2016.

Because this is an enforcement action for noncompliance with State regulations, your System will be billed at the Division's hourly rate (currently estimated at \$160.00) for the time spent issuing this citation. You will receive a bill for these fees sent from our Fee Billing Unit in Sacramento later this year.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Lori Hanson at (707) 576-2604 or (707) 576-2145.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sheri K. Miller".

Sheri K. Miller, P.E.
Mendocino District Engineer
Division of Drinking Water

Enclosure

c: Lake County Environmental Health Department
Bud Hambleton, 4215 Saint Croix Ct., San Jose, CA 95118

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER

Name of Public Water System: Crescent Bay Improvement Company

Water System Number: 1700519

To: Crescent Bay Improvement Company
12820 Anderson Road
Lower Lake, CA 95457

Issued: September 15, 2016

CITATION FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 64533, TITLE 22,
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS
Maximum Contaminant Levels for Disinfection Byproducts
Total Trihalomethanes and Haloacetic Acids
Second Quarter 2016

The State of California Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (hereinafter "Division") hereby issues a citation to the Crescent Bay Improvement Company (hereinafter "System") for failure to comply with Section 64533, Title 22, of the California Code of Regulations (CCR).

1 Chapter 4, Article 9, Section 116550 of Part 12 of Division 104 of the California Health
2 and Safety Code (CHSC), authorizes the issuance of a citation for failure to comply
3 with requirements of Chapter 4 (California Safe Drinking Water Act), or any regulation,
4 standard, permit, or order issued thereunder. A copy of the *Applicable Statutes and*
5 *Regulations* is located in Appendix 3, which is attached hereto and incorporated by
6 reference.

8 STATEMENT OF FACTS

9 The Crescent Bay Improvement Company is classified as a community water system.
10 The System supplies domestic water to 24 service connections, primarily single-family
11 residences, with a population of approximately 80. The System utilizes water from
12 Clear Lake as its source of supply.

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14 Pursuant to Title 22, CCR, Section 64534.2, the System is on an increased monitoring
15 schedule for disinfection byproducts (DBP) and is required to collect one distribution
16 system sample per quarter for the analysis of total trihalomethanes (TTHM) and
17 haloacetic acids (HAA5), in accordance with its approved Stage 2 DBP Monitoring
18 Plan. Section 64535.2(b)(1), Title 22, of the CCR, states that compliance with the
19 TTHM maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 0.080 milligrams per liter (mg/L) and the
20 HAA5 MCL of 0.060 mg/L is based on a locational running annual average (LRAA),
21 calculated quarterly.

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23 The Division received laboratory results for quarterly TTHM and HAA5 samples
24 collected between August 31, 2015 and June 28, 2016. Samples were collected in
25 the distribution system at the sampling site labeled PS-Code 1700519-004. The
26 TTHM and HAA5 results for the most recent four quarters are listed below.

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TTHM and HAA5 Results (units reported in ug/L)

Date Sampled	TTHM (ug/L)	HAA5 (ug/L)
8/31/2015	130	21.1
12/16/2015	73	65.6
3/30/2016	56	84.8
6/28/2016	140	112

DETERMINATIONS

The Division has determined that the Crescent Bay Improvement Company violated Section 64533, Title 22, of the CCR. For a public water system monitoring quarterly for TTHM and HAA5, each locational running annual average (LRAA), computed quarterly, shall not exceed the MCL of 80 ug/L and MCL of 60 ug/L, respectively. The LRAA for the second quarter of 2016, for samples collected at PS-Code 1700519-004, is 108.3 ug/L for TTHM and 70.9 ug/L for HAA5.

Therefore, the System failed to comply with the LRAA MCL for TTHM and failed to comply with the LRAA MCL for HAA5 in the second quarter of 2016.

DIRECTIVES

The Crescent Bay Improvement Company is hereby directed to take the following actions:

1. The System shall comply with Section 64533, Title 22, of the CCR in all future monitoring periods.



- 1 2. On or before **October 14, 2016**, notify all persons served by the System of the
2 TTHM and HAA5 maximum contaminant level violations, in conformance with
3 Section 64463.4 and Section 64465, Title 22 of the CCR. A copy of these
4 regulatory sections is provided in Appendix 3. The Public Notification form in
5 Appendix 1 must be used to fulfill this directive. **The corrective actions section**
6 **of the template shall be completed prior to notification.** The completed notice
7 shall be sent to all customers. In addition, a second method of notification must be
8 chosen (see Appendix 2 - Compliance Certification). This second method must
9 also be completed no later than **October 14, 2016**.
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- 11 3. The System shall complete Appendix 2: Compliance Certification. Submit the
12 Compliance Certification form, together with copies of the **two methods** of public
13 notification, to the Division on or before **October 28, 2016**.
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- 15 4. The public notification and Certification of Compliance requirements listed in the
16 directives above shall be **performed quarterly** until the System is no longer in
17 violation of a disinfection byproduct maximum contaminant level. Future quarterly
18 public notifications must include the **most recent data available** and be approved
19 by the Division prior to distribution to the System's customers. The public notice
20 shall be distributed **within 30 days** of receiving laboratory results. A copy of the
21 public notice shall be submitted to the Division within 40 days of receiving
22 laboratory results.

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24 The Division reserves the right to make such modifications to this Citation as it may
25 deem necessary to protect public health and safety. Such modifications may be
26 issued as amendments to this Citation, and shall be deemed effective upon issuance.
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1 Nothing in this Citation relieves Crescent Bay Improvement Company of its obligation
2 to meet the requirements of the California Safe Drinking Water Act, or of any
3 regulation, permit, standard, or order issued or adopted thereunder.

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PARTIES BOUND

6 This Citation shall apply to and be binding upon the System, its officers, directors,
7 shareholders, agents, employees, contractors, successors, and assignees.

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SEVERABILITY

10 The Directives of this Citation are severable, and the System shall comply with each
11 and every provision thereof, notwithstanding the effectiveness of any other provision.

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FURTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION

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Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4, (commencing with Section 116270) of the California Health and Safety Code authorizes the Division of Drinking Water to: issue additional citations with assessment of penalties if the System continues to fail to correct a violation identified in a citation; take action to suspend or revoke a permit that has been issued to a public water system if the System has violated applicable laws or regulations or has failed to comply with orders of the Division; and petition the superior court to take various enforcement measures against a public water system that has failed to comply with orders of the Division. The Division does not waive any further enforcement action by issuance of this citation.

9-15-16



Date

Sheri K. Miller, P.E.
Mendocino District Engineer
Division of Drinking Water
State Water Resources Control Board

Certified Mail No.: 70150640000717887638

Appendices:

- 1 – Public Notification Template
- 2 – Compliance Certification Form
- 3 – Applicable Statutes and Regulations



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.

Para una copia de este artículo en español, por favor llame al.

Crescent Bay Improvement Company Had Levels of Disinfection Byproducts Above the State Drinking Water Standards

Our water system recently violated the drinking water standards for disinfection byproducts. Although **this is not an emergency**, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

What happened?

To protect drinking water from disease-causing organisms, a chlorine based disinfectant is added to drinking water. However, byproducts of chlorinating our drinking water, also called **disinfection byproducts**, can form when organic-rich water is disinfected. These disinfection byproducts are total trihalomethanes (TTHM) and haloacetic acids (HAA5). A major challenge is how to control and limit risks from pathogens and minimize disinfection byproduct formation at the same time. Disinfection byproducts tend to be highest during the warmest time of year or during periods of long detention times in storage tanks.

The State of California has set standards for these contaminants, and water systems are not allowed to go above these standards. These standards are called maximum contaminant levels (MCLs). The MCL for TTHM is 80 micrograms per liter ($\mu\text{g/L}$). The MCL for HAA5 is 60 $\mu\text{g/L}$. We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants including TTHM and HAA5. The average results for the last four quarterly samples from the Crescent Bay Improvement Company indicate that the drinking water is **over the MCLs for both TTHM and HAA5**. The average TTHM concentration was 108.3 $\mu\text{g/L}$ for the last four quarters. The average HAA5 concentration was 70.9 $\mu\text{g/L}$ for the same time period. These averages are above the amount that is allowed by state regulations.

As a result of disinfection requirements to ensure pathogens are inactivated, we have **exceeded the total trihalomethane MCL and the haloacetic acid MCL**.

What should I do?

- **You do not need to take corrective actions.** If you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.
- This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately.
- Some people who drink water containing disinfection byproducts in excess of the MCL over many years may experience an increased risk of getting cancer.

What corrective actions are being taken to prevent this violation from occurring in the future?

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 public 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 and employees.
- **BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, OR OPERATORS:** Must notify employees and customers of businesses located on the property.

This notice is being sent to you by the Crescent Bay Improvement Company in collaboration with the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water.

For questions, please call Mary Benson at (707) 994-1005.

State Water System ID#: 1700519

Date distributed: _____

APPENDIX 2. COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION

Citation Number: 02_03_16C_027

Name of Water System: **Crescent Bay Improvement Company**

System Number: 1700519

As required by Section 116450 of the California Health and Safety Code, I certify that the users of the water supplied by this water system were notified of the violations of Title 22, California Code of Regulations. In addition, I certify that the Crescent Bay Improvement Company complied with the directives of this citation as indicated below:

Required Action	Date Completed
Complete Appendix 1 (second page) as required in Directive 2	<input type="text"/>
Public Notification – Indicate methods below.	<input type="text"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mail or direct delivery to each customer (REQUIRED)*; <u>AND</u> choose one of the following*: <input type="checkbox"/> Publication in a local newspaper (attach copy of newspaper); OR <input type="checkbox"/> Post in conspicuous place served by the water system for a minimum of 7 days (attach copy of posting, state locations and dates of posting); OR <input type="checkbox"/> Posting on the Internet or intranet (provide address and printout of website page).	

Signature of Water System Representative

Date

***Attach copies of all public notices to this Compliance Certification form.**

**THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE DIVISION
NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 28, 2016**

Disclosure: Be advised that Section 116725 and 116730 of the California Health and Safety Code states 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 each 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 county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.

APPENDIX 3 - APPLICABLE STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

FOR CITATION NO. 02_03_16C_027

Note: The Department referenced below, formerly the California Department of Public Health, Drinking Water Program, now refers to the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water. The Drinking Water Program moved to the State Water Resources Control Board on July 1, 2014.

Section 116650 of the CHSC states, in relevant part:

- (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).

(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 64533 (a) states, in relevant part:

(a) Using the monitoring and calculation methods specified in sections 64534, 64534.2, 64535, and 64535.2, the primary MCLs for the disinfection byproducts shown in Table 64533-A shall not be exceeded in drinking water supplied to the public.

Table 64533-A

Maximum Contaminant Levels and Detection Limits for
Purposes of Reporting Disinfection Byproducts

<i>Disinfection Byproduct</i>	<i>Maximum Contaminant Level (mg/L)</i>	<i>Detection Limit for Purposes of Reporting (mg/L)</i>
<i>Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)</i>	0.080	
<i>Bromodichloromethane</i>		0.0010
<i>Bromoform</i>		0.0010
<i>Chloroform</i>		0.0010
<i>Dibromochloromethane</i>		0.0010
<i>Haloacetic acids (five) (HAA5)</i>	0.060	
<i>Monochloroacetic Acid</i>		0.0020
<i>Dichloroacetic Acid</i>		0.0010
<i>Trichloroacetic Acid</i>		0.0010
<i>Monobromoacetic Acid</i>		0.0010
<i>Dibromoacetic Acid</i>		0.0010

California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 64535.2 (e)(1) states:

(e) TTHM and HAA5 MCL compliance, as monitored pursuant to section 64534.2(d), shall be determined as follows:

- (1) For systems monitoring quarterly, each locational running annual average (LRAA), computed quarterly, shall not exceed the MCLs specified in section 64533.

California Code of Regulations Section 64463.4 states, in relevant part:

(a) A water system shall give public notice pursuant to this section if any of the following occurs:

(2) All violations of the monitoring and testing procedure requirements in sections 64421 through 64426.1, article 3 (Primary Standards – Bacteriological Quality), for which the Department determines that a Tier 2 rather than a Tier 3 public notice is required, based on potential health impacts and persistence of the violations;

(3) Other violations of the monitoring and testing procedure requirements in this chapter, and chapters 15.5, 17 and 17.5, for which the Department determines that a Tier 2 rather than a Tier 3 public notice is required, based on potential health impacts and persistence of the violations.

(b) A water system shall give the notice as soon as possible within 30 days after it learns of a violation or occurrence specified in subsection (a), except that the water system may request an extension of up to 60 days for providing the notice. This extension would be subject to the Department's written approval based on the violation or occurrence having been resolved and the Department's determination that public health and welfare would in no way be adversely affected. In addition, the water system shall:

(1) **Maintain posted notices** in place for as long as the violation or occurrence continues, **but in no case less than seven days;**

(2) Repeat the notice every three months as long as the violation or occurrence continues. Subject to the Department's written approval based on its determination that public health would in no way be adversely affected, the water system may be allowed to notice less frequently but in no case less than once per year. No allowance for reduced frequency of notice shall be

given in the case of a total coliform MCL violation or violation of a Chapter 17 treatment technique requirement.

(c) A water system shall deliver the notice, in a manner designed to reach persons served, within the required time period as follows:

(1) Unless otherwise directed by the Department in writing based on its assessment of the violation or occurrence and the potential for adverse effects on public health and welfare, **community water systems shall give public notice by:**

(A) **Mail or direct delivery to each customer receiving a bill including those that provide their drinking water to others** (e.g., schools or school systems, apartment building owners, or large private employers), and other service connections to which water is delivered by the water system; **and**

(B) **Use of one or more of the following methods to reach persons not likely to be reached by a mailing or direct delivery** (renters, university students, nursing home patients, prison inmates, etc.):

1. Publication in a local newspaper;
2. Posting in conspicuous public places served by the water system, or on the Internet; or
3. Delivery to community organizations.

California Code of Regulations (CCR), Section 64465 states, in relevant part:

(a) Each public notice given pursuant to this article shall contain the following:

(1) A description of the violation or occurrence, including the contaminant(s) of concern, and (as applicable) the contaminant level(s);

(2) The date(s) of the violation or occurrence;

(3) Any potential adverse health effects from the violation or occurrence, including the appropriate standard health effects language from appendices 64465-A through G;

- (4) The population at risk, including subpopulations particularly vulnerable if exposed to the contaminant in drinking water;
- (5) Whether alternative water supplies should be used;
- (6) What actions consumers should take, including when they should seek medical help, if known;
- (7) What the water system is doing to correct the violation or occurrence;
- (8) When the water system expects to return to compliance or resolve the occurrence;
- (9) The name, business address, and phone number of the water system owner, operator, or designee of the water system as a source of additional information concerning the public notice;
- (10) A statement to encourage the public notice recipient to distribute the public notice to other persons served, using the following standard language: "Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this public notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this public notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail"; and
- (11) For a water system with a monitoring and testing procedure violation, this language shall be included: "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 your drinking water meets health standards. During *[compliance period dates]*, we *[did not monitor or test or did not complete all monitoring or testing]* for *[contaminant(s)]*, and therefore, cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time."

(c) Each public notice given pursuant to this article shall contain information in Spanish regarding the importance of the notice, or contain a telephone number or address where Spanish-speaking residents may contact the water system to obtain a translated copy of the public notice or assistance in Spanish. For each non-English

speaking group other than Spanish-speaking that exceeds 1,000 residents or 10% of the residents in the community served, whichever is less, the public notice shall:

(1) Contain information in the appropriate language(s) regarding the importance of the notice, or

(2) Contain a telephone number or address where such residents may contact the water system to obtain a translated copy of the notice or assistance in the appropriate language.

(d) Each public notice given pursuant to this article shall:

(1) Be displayed such that it catches people's attention when printed or posted and be formatted in such a way that the message in the public notice can be understood at the eighth-grade level;

(2) Not contain technical language beyond an eighth-grade level or print smaller than 12 point; and

(3) Not contain language that minimizes or contradicts the information being given in the public notice.