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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

**IN RE: San Luis Obispo County Service Area
No. 23 – Santa Margarita
County Government Center, Room 207
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408**

TO: Mr. Dave Flynn, Interim Public Works Director

SYSTEM NO.: 4010024

CITATION NO.: 04_06_16C_025_4010024_24

CITATION

Section 116650 of Chapter 4, Part 12, Division 104 of the California Health and Safety Code (H&S Code), authorizes the issuance of a citation for failure to comply with the requirements of the California Safe Drinking Water Act, or any regulation, standard, permit or order issued thereunder.

VIOLATION

The State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water, (hereinafter Division) hereby issues a citation to the San Luis Obispo County Service Area 23 – Santa Margarita (hereinafter SLOCSA 23 – Santa Margarita) for the following violation:



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1. Section 64423, Title 22, CCR. Specifically, the SLOCSA 23 – Santa Margarita, failed to collect the required number of routine distribution coliform samples for the month of August 2016.

BACKGROUND

The SLOCSA 23 – Santa Margarita is a community water system under the jurisdiction of the Division as it serves approximately 1259 residential customers through 543 service connections, and operates by the authority of a domestic water supply permit issued by the Division on February 10, 1998, and an amended permit issued on August 21, 2015 to construct and operate a standby/emergency connection to the Atascadero Mutual Water Company.

The SLOCSA 23 – Santa Margarita’s water supply consists of two active wells, Wells 03 and 04, and two standby wells, Wells 01 and 02. Chlorination treatment is provided for the well water supply. Wells 01, 02, and 04 are considered to be under the influence of surface water, and are subject to the SWTR requirements. Two reservoirs provide a storage capacity of 65 MG. The distribution system consists of a single pressure zone.

The Total Coliform Rule requires SLOCSA 23 – Santa Margarita to collect two monthly total coliform samples from their distribution system. During the month of August 2016, SLOCSA 23 – Santa Margarita collected only one routine bacteriological coliform sample, which resulted in non-compliance with Section 64423, Title 22, CCR.

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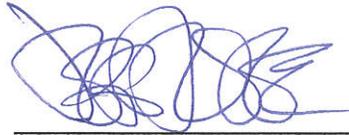
The SLOCSA 23 – Santa Margarita is hereby directed to take the following actions:

1. Immediately, follow proper TCR routine and repeat sampling/reporting procedures in accordance with Article 3, Title 22, CCR, Sections 64423, 64424.
2. As soon as possible, but no later than September 1, 2017, the system shall notify the public of the monitoring failure to collect and analyze the required routine bacteriological distribution sample for the month of August 2016.
3. Submit a signed copy of the notice and Proof of Public Notification (attached).
4. A copy of the notification and certification form shall be submitted to:

Jeff Densmore, P.E., District Engineer
 Division of Drinking Water
 Santa Barbara District
 1180 Eugenia, Suite 200
 Carpinteria, CA 93013-2000

Sept. 29, 2016

Date



 Jeff Densmore, P.E., District Engineer
 Southern California Section
 Santa Barbara District (SWRCB-DDW)

cc: San Luis Obispo County Environmental Health



PROOF OF NOTIFICATION

Name of Water System: San Luis Obispo County Service Area No. 23 – Santa Margarita

Please explain what caused the problem if you have determined what it was and what steps you have taken to correct it.

Consumers Notified **Yes** **No**

If not, explain: _____

Date of Notification: _____

On the date of notification set forth above, I served the above referenced document(s) on the consumers by:

 Sending a copy through the U.S. Mail, first class, postage prepaid, addressed to each of the resident(s) at the place where the property is situated, pursuant to the California Civil Code.

 Newspaper (if the problem has been corrected).

 Personally hand-delivering a copy to each of the consumers.

 Posted on a public bulletin board that will be seen by each of the consumers (for small water non-community water systems with permission from the Division).

I hereby declare the foregoing to be true and correct under penalty of perjury.

Dated: _____

Signature of Person Serving Notice

Drinking Water Notification to Consumers

****Notice:** Complete this Proof of Notification and return it along with a copy of the notification to the Division within **30 Days** of receiving your notification order.

Disclosure: Be advised that 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.