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**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD**

**IN RE: South Mountain Mutual Water Company
20288 South Mountain Road
Santa Paula, CA 93060**

**TO: Ms. Carolyn Taylor, President
Mr. Lynn Hicks, Maintenance**

CITATION

WATER SYSTEM NO.: 5601141

CITATION NO.: 04_06_16C_009_5601141_25

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 South Mountain Mutual Water Company (hereinafter SMMWC) for the following violation:



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1. Section 64424, (a) Title 22, CCR. Specifically, in March 2016, the SMMWC failed the TCR M&R Rule, by not collecting a repeat sample set within 24 hours of being notified of a positive total coliform result. The initial positive result was collected on March 24, 2016. The lab finished their analysis on March 25, 2016, and notified Lynn Hicks at 3:47PM the same day. One repeat was collected on March 28, 2016, a second repeat was collected on March 29, 2016, and a third repeat was collected on March 30, 2016. Each repeat sample was collected from the original site that the positive result occurred at, enumerated, and found to be absent of both total coliforms and E.coli. However, California’s Total Coliform Rule requires that a set of repeats be taken within 24 hours of the labs’ notification, and must be collected at the original site, upstream and downstream within five service connections, and, per Section 64430, Article 3.5 Ground Water Rule, any triggered influencing sources, which for SMMWC would be Well 01.

BACKGROUND

The SMMWC is a small community water system that serves a population of approximately 45 people via 19 service connections. The water system is located about four miles east of Santa Paula, on South Mountain Road, in Ventura County.

The water system operates by the authority of a domestic water supply permit issued by the Division on July 31, 2003. The water system consists of one well

1 that produces approximately 250 gpm. A galvanized steel reservoir provides a
2 storage capacity of 32,000 gallons. The well water is disinfected continuously with
3 sodium hypochlorite. The Total Coliform Rule monitoring plan requires the
4 SMMWC to collect one routine coliform sample every month from the system.
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8 **DIRECTIVES**

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10 The SMMWC is hereby directed to take the following actions:

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13 1. Immediately, follow proper TCR routine and repeat sampling/reporting
14 procedures in accordance with Article 3, Title 22, CCR, Sections 64423,
15 64424, and 64430.
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18 2. Within one year of receipt of this citation, notify the public served by the
19 SMMWC of the monitoring failure. The procedure and format must be
20 approved by the Division. A suggested format is attached and is also
21 available electronically at the following web address:
22 http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/drinkingwater/Notices.shtml
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24 3. The SMMWC is recommended to provide continuous chlorine disinfection
25 treatment to its well water supply at all times. A chlorine residual of 0.5 to
26 1.0 mg/L should be maintained at all times.
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4. Submit a completed Coliform/Groundwater Rule Sample Siting Plan, within 15 days of receipt of this citation.

5. 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 Place, Suite 200
Carpinteria, CA 93013-2000

MAY 16, 2016
Date


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

cc: Ventura County Environmental Health

