

November 23, 2020

Chris Marten
Westport Heights Water System
90809 Alderwood Road
Westport, OR 97016

RE: Notice of failure to correct significant deficiencies at the Westport Heights public water system

Records indicate you operate the Westport Heights public water system (hereinafter “Water System”) serving homes along Alderwood Road, south of McLean Hill Road in Westport, Oregon. You (hereinafter “Water Supplier”) are therefore a water supplier as defined in ORS 448.115(12) and OAR 333-061-0020(150) and have specific responsibilities as defined in OAR 333-061-0025.

The Water System is a community public water system identified by ID# OR4100195 that serves approximately 90 people and is subject to regulation according to the Oregon Drinking Water Quality Act (Oregon Revised Statutes 448.115 to 448.290) and Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 333-061-0005 through OAR 333-061-0272.

The Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services (DWS) has reviewed the operation of the Water System. This review has found that Water Supplier is not in compliance with OAR 333-061-0076(5) and therefore not meeting its responsibilities as a water supplier.

OAR 333-061-0076(5) requires water suppliers to correct significant deficiencies or to be in compliance with an approved corrective action schedule. Water Supplier has not reported that significant deficiencies were corrected by the March 2, 2020 due date at the Water System. One deficiency, the lack of a watertight casing and sanitary seal for the Water System’s groundwater well, is considered a direct pathway for contamination to enter a water system and is a priority for correction. The failure to correct this deficiency by the due date following the October 25, 2019 sanitary survey is a violation of OAR 333-061-0076(5) and (7).

Please submit written verification to me that this deficiency is corrected within 30 days of the date of this letter.

If Water Supplier does not comply with the deadline specified in this letter, the continued non-compliance may result in additional enforcement action, which could include the assessment of civil penalties in the amount of \$50 for every distinct rule violation and for every day the Water System is in violation of a rule as prescribed by OAR 333-061-0090. Please contact me at (971) 673-0407 or at bradley.k.daniels@dhsoha.state.or.us if you have any questions about the compliance action specified in this letter.

Respectfully,



Brad K. Daniels

Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services

cc: Pete Farrelly, Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services
Meredith Reiley, Clatsop County Public Health