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Thomas S. Jarmer PMT Properties, LLC 17344 Timothy Way Gladstone, OR 97027

RE: Arsenic maximum contaminant level exceeded at the Paradise/Rogue Meadows public water system

Dear Mr. Jarmer,

Sample results reported for your water system indicate the average concentration of arsenic in drinking water is 0.013 mg/L, which exceeds the maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 0.010 mg/L. Drinking water with concentrations of arsenic exceeding the MCL can cause adverse health effects as described below.

Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system and may have an increased risk of getting cancer. Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 333-061-0097.

The Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services (DWS) was notified that you have already installed treatment to reduce the concentration of arsenic in drinking water at your water system.

- 1) Construction plans for major modifications, such as treatment systems, must be approved before construction begins at public water systems in Oregon; therefore, you must submit construction plans according to OAR 333-061-0060 within 30 days of the date of this letter.
- 2) If you decide to carry out a different corrective action to reduce the concentration of arsenic, instead of the treatment system already installed, you must submit a plan within 30 days of the date of this letter identifying the alternative corrective action you will take to reduce the concentration of arsenic in drinking water to below the MCL. The corrective action plan must include a projected date by which you can, as quickly

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as possible, provide safe drinking water to water users. Other possible corrective actions to resolve the contamination include:

- Connecting to another public water system; or
- Blending water sources so that arsenic is reliably and consistently below the MCL in drinking water.

The actions described in this letter are required by Oregon Administrative Rules 333-061-0025, OAR 333-061-0030 and 333-061-0060. Please contact Susan Baker at Jackson County Environmental Public Health at (541) 774-7843 if you have any questions or to discuss the actions required in this letter.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

Brad K. Daniels

Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services

cc: Susan Baker, Jackson County Environmental Health