

January 11, 2019

Susie Quinn
South Umpqua Water Association
2080 Shoestring Road
Riddle, OR 97469

RE: Notice of failure to correct significant deficiencies at the South Umpqua Water Association public water system

Records indicate that the South Umpqua Water Association (South Umpqua) owns the public water system which serves homes located near Riddle OR 97469. The South Umpqua water system is a community public water system identified by ID# OR4100705 that serves approximately 575 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 to OAR 333-061-0272. South Umpqua is 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 Oregon Health Authority, Public Health Division, Center for Health Protection, Drinking Water Services (DWS) has reviewed the operation of the South Umpqua water system. This review has found that you are not in compliance with OAR 333-061-0076(6) and therefore not meeting your responsibilities as a water supplier. OAR 333-061-0076(6) requires water suppliers to correct significant deficiencies or comply with an approved corrective action schedule.

You have not reported that the significant deficiencies from the Dec. 6, 2017 survey at the South Umpqua water system were corrected by the April 17, 2018 deadline. Three deficiencies of the finished water storage, 1) lack of watertight roof and access hatch, 2) lack of flap valve or screen on overflow, and 3) lack of a screened vent, are considered direct pathways for contamination to enter a water system and a priority for correction. The failure to correct these deficiencies by the due date following the sanitary survey is a violation of Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 333-061-0076(6). You must submit written verification to me that this deficiency is corrected within 30 days of the date of this notice.

If you do 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 \$250.00 for every distinct rule violation and for every day the South Umpqua water system is in violation of a rule as prescribed by OAR 333-061-0090. Please contact me at (971) 673-0461 if you have any questions about the compliance action specified in this letter.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Abbie Spielman". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the printed name.

Abbie Spielman
Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services

cc: Rebecca Templin, Drinking Water Services