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RE: Notice of failure to correct significant deficiencies at the Umpqua Ranch Cooperative public water system

Records indicate the Umpqua Ranch Cooperative (Cooperative) owns and operates the public water system serving homes and the RV park at 22284 North Umpqua Highway in Idleyld Park, Oregon. The Umpqua Ranch water system is a community public water system identified by ID# OR4100714 that serves approximately 140 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 Rules 333-061-0005 to 333-061-0272. The Cooperative is therefore a water supplier as defined in ORS 448.115(12) and Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 333-061-0020(211) and has specific responsibilities as defined in OAR 333-061-0025.

The Oregon Health Authority, Public Health Division, Center for Health Protection, Drinking Water Services (Authority) has reviewed the operation of the Umpqua Ranch water system. This review has found that the Cooperative is not in compliance with OAR 333-061-0076(6)(b) and therefore not meeting its responsibilities as a water supplier.

OAR 333-061-0076(6)(b) requires water suppliers to correct significant deficiencies within 120 days of notification or to be in compliance with an approved corrective action schedule. The Cooperative has not reported that significant deficiencies were corrected by the August 31, 2016 due date approved by the Douglas County Health Department for the Umpqua Ranch water system. One deficiency, the lack of a screen on a well vent, 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 approved due date following the October 19, 2015 sanitary survey is a violation of OAR 333-061-0076(6).

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The Cooperative must submit written verification to me that this deficiency is corrected within 30 days of the date of this notice.

If the Cooperative 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 \$100 for every distinct rule violation and for every day the Umpqua Ranch water system is in violation of a rule as prescribed by OAR 333-061-0090. Please contact me at (971) 673-0407 if the Cooperative have any questions about the compliance action specified in this letter.

Respectfully,

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Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services

cc: Caroline Gross-Regan, Douglas County Environmental Health