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Allen Dendy
High Desert Estates
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RE: Violation of the maximum contaminant level for *E. coli* bacteria at the High Desert Estates public water system, ID# 01457

Dear Allen Dendy,

Recent samples reported for your water system indicate coliform bacteria in the drinking water caused a violation of the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for *E. coli* bacteria. The presence of these bacteria indicates that the water may be contaminated with human or animal wastes. Human pathogens in these wastes can cause short-term effects, such as diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. They may pose a greater health risk for infants, young children, the elderly, and people with severely compromised immune systems. OAR 333-061-0097

Please continue consultation with Max Hamblin at Crook County Environmental Health at 541-447-8155 so that you can disinfect the water system and abate the contamination as quickly as possible.

You can contact DWS circuit rider for technical assistance at mgochnour@civilwest.net or 541-266-8601. Visit the webpage: <https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/HEALTHYENVIRONMENTS/DRINKINGWATER/OPERATIONS/Pages/circuitrider.aspx> for more information about the DWS circuit rider program.

The actions described in this letter are required by Oregon Administrative Rules 333-061-0025, 333-061-0030 and 333-061-0042. Please contact me at bradley.k.daniels@oha.oregon.gov or (503) 735-5438 if you have any questions or to discuss the actions required in this letter.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brad K. Daniels".

Brad K. Daniels

Compliance Specialist

Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services

cc: Christine Burk, High Desert Estates Homeowners Association
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Max Hamblin, Crook County Environmental Health
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