

April 28, 2025

Jim Eckstine  
Row River Valley Water District  
PO Box 1  
Dorena, OR 97434

RE: Maximum contaminant level exceeded for haloacetic acids at the Row River Valley Water District public water system, ID# 01515

Dear Jim Eckstine,

Sample results reported for your water system indicate that the average concentration of haloacetic acids (HAA5) in drinking water is 0.065 mg/L, at both the 37080 Row River Road and 75748 Booth Kelly Camp Road sampling locations. This exceeds the maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 0.060 mg/L. HAA5 is a drinking water contaminant and some people who drink water containing HAA5 in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Please continue consultation with Nicholas Alviani of the Oregon Health Authority so that you can abate the contamination as quickly as possible.

You must also:

- 1) Submit a written plan to [bradley.k.daniels@oha.oregon.gov](mailto:bradley.k.daniels@oha.oregon.gov) at the Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services (DWS), no later than 90 days after the date of this letter identifying the corrective action you will take to reduce the concentration of HAA5 in drinking water to below the MCL. The corrective action plan must include a projected date by which you can, as quickly as possible, provide safe drinking water to water users.

Possible corrective actions to abate the contamination include:

- Installing water treatment to remove disinfection byproduct precursors;
- Improving operating practices or existing treatment processes to prevent the formation of HAA5;

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- Disconnecting a water source from your water system and identifying how you will provide an approved alternate source of water; or
  - Connecting to another public water system.
- 2) Issue public notice to customers as quickly as possible and submit a copy to DWS at [compliance.dw@odhsoha.oregon.gov](mailto:compliance.dw@odhsoha.oregon.gov) within 30 days of the date of this letter. An appropriate public notice template is available online at <https://www.oregon.gov/public-notices>. Please complete the template with information for your water system. This notice must be re-issued every three months until the contamination has been resolved.

If water system alterations are necessary to resolve the contamination, construction plans must be approved according to OAR 333-061-0060 prior to construction of new treatment facilities or modifications to existing water system facilities.

You can contact DWS circuit rider for technical assistance at [mgochnour@civilwest.net](mailto: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](mailto:bradley.k.daniels@oha.oregon.gov) or (503) 735-5438 if you have any questions about the compliance actions specified in this letter.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Respectfully,



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cc: Nicholas Alviani, Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services