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Leo Newberg The Inn at Otter Crest 301 Otter Crest DR Otter Rock, OR 97369

RE: Maximum contaminant level exceeded for total trihalomethanes at the Inn at Otter Crest public water system, ID# 01527

Dear Leo Newberg,

Sample results reported for your water system indicate that the average concentration of total trihalomethanes (TTHM) in drinking water is 0.087 mg/L at the Restaurant Restroom sampling location. This exceeds the maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 0.080 mg/L]. TTHM is a drinking water contaminant and some people who drink water containing TTHM in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Please continue to consult with Kaline Chavarria at the Lincoln County Health Department at 541-265-0433 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 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 TTHM 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 resolve the contamination include:

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

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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 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 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, OAR 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,

Brad K. Daniels

Compliance Specialist

Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services

cc: Baxter Call, Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services Kaline Chavarria, Lincoln County Environmental Health Lorie Henthorn, Association of Unit Owners of the Inn at Otter Crest