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## CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL PROGRAM

Pursuant to Chapter 333, Division 61 of the Oregon Administrative Rules, it is the responsibility of **Sunset Acres Water Co-op** to protect its drinking water by instituting and enforcing a cross-connection control program.

The purpose of these regulations is to prevent contaminated water from being introduced into the water system.

Cross-connection is a situation where water may be introduced into the system by connection to sources of water other than Co-op supplied water. Backflow is the flow of possibly contaminated water back into the Co-op distribution system either by gravity, suction or pressure.

Either of these situations could introduce contaminated water into the Co-op distribution system.

By-laws of the Sunset Acres Water Co-op, Inc., allow the Directors to inspect, repair, and improve (or require such actions to) any and all portions of the water system, including that on private property. Delivery of water may be refused to those not abiding by rules and regulations of the water Co-op..

Since Sunset Acres is a Co-op., the Directors have decided that the water company will be responsible for installation, inspection and maintenance of any backflow devices deemed necessary by the State Cross-connection Rules. In addition, Sunset Acres Water Co-op., Inc., will pay all costs associated with installation, inspection and maintenance of such devices.

Water users shall not create, install, use or maintain any cross-connection within the water district. Water users shall not connect any device to water system distribution pipe or meters without the express written consent of the Directors.

In the event that actions of water users creates a "Back flow", or a situation where such an event could occur, the Directors will immediately terminate water supply to that property. If water users willfully disregard cross-connection rules, and as a result, a backflow occurs, and contaminates the water distribution system, said property owner(s) will be liable for damages in Civil Court.

Sunset Acres Water Co-op, Inc., desires to comply with all Cross-connection rules and regulations, thereby providing water as safe as is possible.

*(see attached By-Laws for authority)*

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