

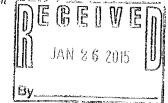
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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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January 23, 2015



CERTIFIED MAIL NO.: 91 7199 9991 7034 4997 0865 RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Scot Foltz, Environmental Compliance Manager Aqua Utilities, Inc. 1106 Clayton Lane, Ste 400W Austin, Texas 78723

Re:

Notice of Violation for the Comprehensive Compliance Investigation at:

Westcreek Estates Water System, Kerr County, Texas

Regulated Entity No.: RN101204949,

TCEQ ID No.: 1330028, Investigation No.: 1185752

Dear Mr. Foltz:

On November 18, 2014, Ms. Stacy Tanner of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) San Antonio Region Office conducted an investigation of the above-referenced regulated entity to evaluate compliance with applicable requirements for public water supply. Enclosed is a summary which lists the investigation findings. During the investigation, one outstanding alleged violation was identified for which compliance documentation is required. Please submit to this office by May 23, 2015, a written description of corrective action taken and the required documentation demonstrating that compliance has been achieved for the outstanding alleged violation. At this time, your public water supply continues to merit recognition as a "Superior" system.

In the listing of the alleged violation, we have cited applicable requirements, including TCEQ rules. Please note that both the rules themselves and the agency brochure entitled *Obtaining TCEQ Rules* (GI 032) are located on our agency website at http://www.tceq.state.tx.us for your reference. If you would like a hard copy of this brochure mailed to you, you may call and request one from either the San Antonio Region Office at (210) 490-3096 or the Central Office Publications Ordering Team at 512-239-0028.

The TCEQ appreciates your assistance in this matter. Please note that the Legislature has granted TCEQ enforcement powers which we may exercise to ensure compliance with environmental regulatory requirements. We anticipate that you will resolve the alleged violation as required in order to protect the State's environment. If you have additional information that we are unaware of, you have the opportunity to contest the violation documented in this notice. Should you choose to do so, you must notify the San Antonio Region Office within 10 days from the date of this letter. At that time, Water Section Manager, Ms. Lynn Bumguardner, will schedule a violation review meeting to be conducted within 21 days from the date of this letter. However, please be advised that if you decide to participate in the violation review process, the

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TCEQ may still require you to adhere to the compliance schedule included in the enclosed Summary of Investigation Findings until an official decision is made regarding the status of any or all of the contested violation.

If you or members of your staff have any questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Tanner in the San Antonio Region Office at (210) 403-4078.

Sincerely,

Joy Thurston-Cook

Water Section Team Leader San Antonio Region Office

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Enclosures: Summary of Investigation Findings

Summary of Investigation Findings

WESTCREEK ESTATES WATER SYSTEM

Investigation #

1185752 Investigation Date: 11/18/2014

, KERR COUNTY.

Additional ID(s): 1330028

OUTSTANDING ALLEGED VIOLATION(S) ASSOCIATED TO A NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Track No: 557999 Compliance Due Date: 05/23/2015

30 TAC Chapter 290.39(e) 30 TAC Chapter 290.39(h)(1) 30 TAC Chapter 290.46(n)(1)

Alleged Violation:

Investigation: 1185752

Comment Date: 01/09/2015

Failure to submit and acquire approval of as built engineering plans prior to operating a public water supply.

At the time of the investigation, the water system could not produce any documentation indicating that the water system had submitted as built engineering plans and subsequently received approval or an exception to the requirement prior to operating the water system.

30 TAC 290.46(n)(1)-- Accurate and up-to-date detailed as-built plans or record drawings and specifications for each treatment plant, pump station, and storage tank shall be maintained at the public water system until the facility is decommissioned. As-built plans of individual projects may be used to fulfill this requirement if the plans are maintained in an organized manner.

30 TAC 290.39(h)(1)—No person may begin construction on a new public water system before receiving written approval of plans and specifications and, if required, approval of a business plan from the executive director. No person may begin construction of modifications to a public water system without providing notification to the executive director and submitting and receiving approval of plans and specifications if requested in accordance with subsection (j) of this section.

30 TAC 290.39(e)-- Submission of planning material.

Recommended Corrective Action: Provide by the compliance due date, documentation demonstrating that as-built plans or an exception request has been submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), Utilities Technical Review Team (UTRT), MC 159, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 and that approval or an exception has been granted.

The entity must ensure that the as-built plans are submitted by a licensed professional engineer. For further assistance regarding submittal contact the TCEQ UTRT at (512) 239-4691.