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Notification provided via E-mail

October 4, 2023

Rebekah Bryant, rebekah@tularosa.net
Tularosa Water System, NM3514019
705 St. Francis Dr.
Tularosa, NM 88352

RE: Notice of Violation – Failure to Provide Public Notice

Dear Rebekah Bryant:

Our records indicate that the Tularosa Water System did not provide public notice to your customers and did not return the public notice certification form to New Mexico Environment Department-Drinking Water Bureau (NMED-DWB) for Notices of Violation (NOVs) issued on 5/12/2022, 6/14/2022, 5/16/2023, 6/14/2023 and 7/19/2023. All original NOVs were issued for failing to submit monthly MORs.

Pursuant to Section 20.7.10.100 NMAC [incorporating 40 CFR Section 141.203], you were required to notify your customers of the violation by **mail or other direct delivery to each customer** and any other methods as necessary to inform the public, within 30 days from the date on the original NOV.

Pursuant to 20.7.10.100 NMAC [incorporating 40 CFR Section 141.31(d)] the Tularosa Water System was required to certify, within 10 days of completing the public notice, that the public notice was published and the method of publication, by submitting a completed copy of the Public Notification Certification Form.

Because the public notice and public notice certification form was not provided to NMED-DWB, the Tularosa Water System is in violation.

The Tularosa Water System is still required to provide public notice and return the Public Notice Certification Form to NMED-DWB for the NOV issued on violation date. Please complete the public notice requirements and return the public Notice and Public Notice Certification Form to Joe Savage by email at joe.savage@env.nm.gov

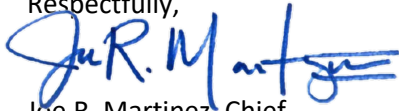
NMED-DWB reserves the right to take additional enforcement action regarding the violations identified in this NOV, to include the issuance of an Administrative Compliance Order compelling compliance and issuing civil penalties.

Pursuant to the NMED Delegation Order dated March 24, 2023, the Cabinet Secretary has delegated the authority to issue Notice of Violations to DWB Bureau Chief Joe R. Martinez.

Please note that your facility will appear on the Department's Enforcement Watch as a result of this NOV (see: <https://www.env.nm.gov/enforcement-watch/>). Further, the Department will issue a press release to local media highlighting your public water system as appearing on this webpage. Your public water system will remain on the Enforcement Watch website as an active matter until this matter is fully resolved.

If you or members of your staff have questions, please feel free to contact please contact Joe Savage at 575-973-0009 or by e-mail at joe.savage@env.nm.gov

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe R. Martinez". The signature is stylized with a large "J" and "M".

Joe R. Martinez, Chief
Drinking Water Bureau
Water Protection Division

cc: Brandi Littleton, Southern Compliance Supervisor (electronic)
Joe Savage, Surface Water Rule Administrator (electronic)
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