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CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

May 22, 2012

Mr. Patricio Guerrerortiz, Utilities Director
Santa Fe County
Utilities Department
Post Office Box 276
102 Grant Avenue
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-1985

RE: Minor Municipal; SIC 4952; NPDES Compliance Evaluation Inspection; Santa Fe County Valle Vista Subdivision Wastewater Treatment Plant; NM0028614; May 8, 2012

Dear Mr. Guerrerortiz:

Enclosed, please find a copy of the report for the referenced inspection that the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) conducted at your facility on behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). This inspection report will be sent to the USEPA in Dallas for their review. These inspections are used by USEPA to determine compliance with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permitting program in accordance with requirements of the federal Clean Water Act.

Please submit a written report regarding this inspection to:

Diana McDonald
US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6
Water Enforcement Branch (6EN-W)
Allied Bank Tower
1445 Ross Avenue
Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

Program Manager
New Mexico Environment Dept.
Surface Water Quality Bureau
Point Source Regulation Section
Post Office Box 26110
Santa Fe, NM 87502

I wish to thank you for the cooperation that was extended by Ms. Karen Torres to myself and Mr. Valenta while at the Santa Fe County Valle Vista Subdivision Wastewater Treatment Plant. If you have any questions concerning this inspection report, please feel free to contact me at (505) 827-1041 or sandra.gabaldon@state.nm.us

Sincerely,
/s/ Sandra Gabaldón
Sandra Gabaldón
Surface Water Quality Bureau
Point Source Regulation

Cc: Marcia Gail Adams (6EN-AS) via e-mail
Larry Giglio (6WQ-PP) via e-mail
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NMED, District II



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NPDES Compliance Inspection Report

Section A: National Data System Coding

Transaction Code	NPDES	yr/mo/day	Inspec. Type	Inspector	Fac Type
1 N 2 5 3	N M 0 0 2 8 6 1 4 11 12	1 2 0 5 0 8 17	18 C	19 S 20	1
Remarks					
M I N O R M U N I C I P A L					
Inspection Work Days	Facility Evaluation Rating	BI	QA	Reserved	
67 69	70 4	71 N	72 N	73 74	75 80

Section B: Facility Data

Name and Location of Facility Inspected (For industrial users discharging to POTW, also include POTW name and NPDES permit number) Santa Fe Valle Vista Subdivision Wastewater Treatment Facility State Road 14 south, west on Valle Vista approximately ¼ mile to treatment plant SANTA FE COUNTY	Entry Time /Date 1245 Hours / May 08, 2010	Permit Effective Date June 26, 2006
	Exit Time/Date 1335 Hours / May 08, 2010	Permit Expiration Date August 31, 2015
Name(s) of On-Site Representative(s)/Title(s)/Phone and Fax Number(s) Ms. Karen Torres, Hydrologist (505) 992-9871 / (505) 992-8421	Other Facility Data SIC 4952 35.58355 -106.06033	
Name, Address of Responsible Official/Title/Phone and Fax Number Mr. Patricio Guerrerortiz, Utilities Director (505) 992-9872 Santa Fe County Utilities Department Post Office Box 276 Santa Fe, NM 87504-1985	Contacted Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Section C: Areas Evaluated During Inspection

(S = Satisfactory, M = Marginal, U = Unsatisfactory, N = Not Evaluated)

S	Permit	N	Flow Measurement	N	Operations & Maintenance	N	CSO/SSO
S	Records/Reports	N	Self-Monitoring Program	N	Sludge Handling/Disposal	N	Pollution Prevention
S	Facility Site Review	N	Compliance Schedules	N	Pretreatment	N	Multimedia
N	Effluent/Receiving Waters	N	Laboratory	N	Storm Water	N	Other:

Section D: Summary of Findings/Comments (Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Please see further explanations for details

Name(s) and Signature(s) of Inspector(s) Sandra Gabaldón /s/ Sandra Gabaldon	Agency/Office/Telephone/Fax NMED/SWQB/ (505) 827-1041/ (505) 827-0160	Date May 22, 2012
Signature of Management QA Reviewer Richard E. Powell /s/ Richard E. Powell	Agency/Office/Phone and Fax Numbers NMED/SWQB/ (505) 827-2798 / (505) 827-0160	Date May 22, 2012

Compliance Evaluation Inspection
Santa Fe County
Valle Vista Subdivision Wastewater Treatment Plant
NPDES Permit No. NM0028614
May 8, 2012

Introduction

A Compliance Evaluation Inspection (CEI) was conducted at the Santa Fe County Valle Vista Subdivision Wastewater Treatment Plant, located in Santa Fe County, New Mexico on May 8, 2012 by Ms. Sandra Gabaldón, accompanied by Mr. Daniel Valenta, of the State of New Mexico Environment Department (NMED), Surface Water Quality Bureau (SWQB). This facility is classified as a minor discharger under the federal Clean Water Act (CWA), Section 402. This facility is regulated under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program, and is assigned NPDES permit number NM0028614. The facility design flow is 0.088 million gallons per day (MGD).

The Santa Fe County Valle Vista Subdivision Wastewater Treatment Plant discharges into the to Cienega Creek, thence to the Santa Fe River in Segment 20.6.4.113 NMAC of the Rio Grande Basin (*State of New Mexico Standards for Interstate and Intrastate Surface Waters*). Designated uses of 20.6.4.113 NMAC are irrigation, livestock watering, wildlife habitat, marginal coldwater aquatic life, secondary contact and warmwater aquatic life.

The inspectors arrived at the WWTP at 1245 hours and conducted an entrance interview with Ms. Karen Torres, Hydrologist. The inspector made introductions, presented her credentials, and discussed the purpose of the inspection with Ms. Torres. An exit interview to discuss preliminary findings of the inspection was conducted with Ms. Torres on site.

The NMED performs a specific number of CEI's annually for the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). The purpose of this inspection is to provide the USEPA with information to evaluate the permittee's compliance with their NPDES permit. The enclosed inspection report is based on verbal information supplied by the permittee's representatives, observations made by the NMED inspectors, and a review of records maintained by the permittee, commercial laboratories, and/or NMED. Findings of the inspection are detailed in the narrative Further Explanations section of the report.

Compliance Evaluation Inspection
Santa Fe County
Valle Vista Subdivision WWTP
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Further Explanations

The treatment facility was decommissioned on March 12, 2012. All treatment units have been removed and the outfall has been sealed with cement. The facility currently has eight (8) manholes which enable the county to clean out any debris in case of a blockage. These manholes are tied into a lift station that takes influent to the New Mexico State Penitentiary for treatment.

Santa Fe County / Valle Vista Subdivision WWTP requested termination of their NPDES Permit No. NM0028614 on May 2, 2012.

This inspection was done to verify that the facility is no longer discharging and insure all treatment units have been removed and the area cleared of all debris.

NMED/SWQB
Official Photograph Log
Photo # 1

Photographer: Daniel Valenta	Date: May 8, 2012	Time: 1256 Hours
City/County: Santa Fe / Santa Fe		State: New Mexico
Location: Santa Fe County / Valle Vista Subdivision WWTP		
Subject: Cleared site where treatment units once occupied. The building will remain as part of Santa Fe County's Public Works Department.		



NMED/SWQB
Official Photograph Log
Photo # 2

Photographer: Daniel Valenta	Date: May 8, 2012	Time: 1258 Hours
City/County: Santa Fe / Santa Fe		State: New Mexico
Location: Santa Fe County / Valle Vista Subdivision WWTP		
Subject: Cemented outfall		



NMED/SWQB
Official Photograph Log
Photo # 3

Photographer: Daniel Valenta	Date: May 8, 2012	Hours: 1312 Hours
City/County: Santa Fe / Santa Fe		State: New Mexico
Location: Santa Fe County / Valle Vista Subdivision WWTP		
Subject: New lift station which carries influent to New Mexico State Penitentiary		



