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Fred Whistle Harvest Gold Subdivision, NM3511524 PO Box 5520 Farmington, NM 87499

# RE: Notice of Violation-Monitoring & Reporting: Failure to Submit Monthly Operating Report

Dear Mr. Whistle:

This letter serves as Notice of Violation (NOV) that the Harvest Gold Subdivision water system failed to submit monthly surface water operating reports (MORs) as required in 20.7.10.100 NMAC [incorporating 40 CFR Section 141.75(b) and 40 CFR 141.570] for the month of November 2016.

Based on the failure to submit MORs for the months above, the New Mexico Environment Department Drinking Water Bureau (DWB) requires the Harvest Gold Subdivision water system to notify customers of the violation(s) as stated in 20.7.10.100 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR Section 141.203). The notice must be provided to all customers and others who drink the water as soon as practical but no later than 30 days of receipt of this letter and must remain in place as long as the violation or situation persists. The public notice must be provided by one or more methods reasonably calculated to reach all persons served by the water system, i.e., appropriate broadcast media (such as radio and television), posting of the notice in conspicuous locations throughout the area served by the water system OR hand delivery of the notice to persons served by the water system.

Pursuant to 20.7.10.100 NMAC [incorporating 40 CFR Section 141.31(d)] the Harvest Gold Subdivision water system must certify that the notice was published and the method of publication, by submitting a completed copy of the enclosed Public Notification Certification Form to the DWB <u>within 10 days</u>. A representative copy of each type of notice distributed, published, posted or made available to the persons served by the system must be included with the certification form.

Failure to comply with the public notice requirements will result in an additional violation (failure to notify the public and the state) being issued without notice to the Harvest Gold Subdivision water system. Continued failure to comply with Public Notification Requirements, as defined in 20.7.10.100 NMAC [incorporating 40 CFR Sections 141.203 and 141.31(d)] will result in escalated enforcement actions including issuance of Administrative Order(s) with possible penalties assessed against the Harvest Gold Subdivision water system.

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.

Please fill out and return the enclosed Public Notice Certification Form to:

Joseph C. Savage NMED-DWB 811 First Street Alamogordo, NM 88310

Or send by e-mail to: joe.savage@state.nm.us.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please call 575-437-7115 or email joe.savage@state.nm.us.

Respectfully,

Joseph C. Savage Surface Water Treatment Rule Administrator Drinking Water Bureau Water Protection Division

Enclosures: Public Notice Template Public Notice Certification Form

Cc: Area Supervisor (electronic) Albuquerque Area Office file Electronic Central File \*\*PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM MUST APPROPRIATELY MODIFY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE TO INCLUDE UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION REGARDING THE VIOLATION AS WELL AS INFORMATION ABOUT THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE VIOLATION'S AFFECT ON THE WATER SYSTEM. PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM OFFICIAL MUST DELETE THIS PARAGRAPH ONCE PUBLIC NOTICE HAS BEEN APPROPRIATELY UPDATED, PRIOR TO SENDING OUT TO THE PUBLIC\*\*

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

# Monthly Reporting Requirements Not Being Met By Harvest Gold Subdivision

Our water system recently violated a drinking water regulation. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we did (are doing) to correct this situation.

We are required to submit turbidity data and chlorine levels to the State on a monthly basis. This requirement has not been met for the month(s) of:

### What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been you would have been notified immediately.

Monitoring and reporting turbidity and chlorine levels in your water are important in ensuring safe water to all our customers. \*Chlorine is added to the water to inactivate bacteria that may be present. Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches. \* These symptoms are not caused only by organisms in drinking water. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice.

Tests taken during this time period **did / did not** indicate the presence of bacteria in the drinking water system during this period.

What should I do?

What is being done? [Describe corrective action.]

We anticipate resolving the problem within \_\_\_\_\_.

For more information, please contact: Fred Whistle Harvest Gold Subdivision, NM3511524 Po Box 5520, Farmington, NM 87499

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.



# New Mexico Environment Department - Drinking Water Bureau Public Notification Certification Form – All Tiers

Requirements Pursuant to 40 CFR 141 (Subpart Q)

\*\*This form and a copy of your Notice to the Public must be submitted to the State within 10 days of notifying your customers. \*\*

PWSID#: NM3511524 Water System Name: \_\_\_\_Harvest Gold Subdivision\_\_\_\_\_

Violation or Situation Date: November 2016

Individual Contaminant or Contaminant Group: N/A

Violation or Situation Type: Monitoring & Reporting

Violation or Situation Public Notification Tier: Tier 2

Distributed the notice by the following method(s), and on the following date(s) in accordance with 40 CFR 141.201:

Continuously Post	Date:
Separate Mailing to Customers	Date:
Hand Deliver Notice to Customers	Date:
Publish Notice in Newspaper	Date:
Release Notice to and Announced by Broadcast Media	Date:
Post Notice on System Website	Date:
Billing	Date:
Annual Report (Consumer Confidence Report)	Date:
Other:	Date:

Note: Non-community water systems that serve a school, preschool or daycare must also hand deliver the notice to a parent or legal guardian of each child. For more information reference EPA's Public Notification Handbook at: http://www.epa.gov/safewater/publicnotification/compliancehelp.html

### Attach a copy of the posted Public Notice(s) to this certification form.

The public water system named above hereby certifies that public notification has been provided to its consumers in accordance with all delivery, content, and format requirements specified in 40 CFR Part 141:

Water System Representative: \_\_\_\_

(Signature)

(Print Name)

(Phone Number)

Date of Certification:

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New Mexico Environment Department - Drinking Water Bureau

# **Violation Inventory Action Form**

General Informati	on	Failure to Sub	mit Mo	nthly Opera	ating Repor	t		
System Name:	Harvest Gold Subdivision	<u>I</u> Staff:	Sa	vage / Tri	ujillo	Manager:	Garc	ia / Cudia
WSS#	NM3511524	Data Steward:		A	sbury		Date:	12/10/2016
Violation Type	<u>36 &amp; 38</u>	Enforcement Ty	/pe	SIA	SIE	Determin	ation Date:	12/10/2016
Water System Fac	ility #: <u>002</u>		Vi	olation Pe	eriod(s):		November 2	2016

Comments:	
Tier 2 M&R Violations	

 Violation Action

 Validate

 Reject (Needs Area Supervisor Approval Below)

 Delete (Needs Area Supervisor and PWSS Manager Approval Below)

Approval Required for Deleted or Rejected Violations		
AREA S	UPERVISOR	
Approved	Denied	
Area Supervisor Comments:		
Area Supervisor Name:	Da	ate:
Area Supervisor Signature:		
	DUP MANAGER	
Approved	DUP MANAGER Denied	
Approved		
Approved		
Approved PWSS Group Manager Comments:	Denied	
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