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BEFORE THE STATE OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH

In the Matter of

Michael Brown Saginaw Park Trust, PWS 4100996

Respondent

NOTICE OF INTENT TO IMPOSE CIVIL PENALTY

To: Michael Brown, Owner Saginaw Park Trust 922 Old Town Loop Rd. Oakland, OR 97462

Pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 448.280, 448.285, and Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 333-061-0090, the Department of Human Services, Public Health Division, Office of Environmental Public Health, Drinking Water Program (Agency) intends to impose a civil penalty of \$250 against Michael Brown for violations of OAR 333-061-0090(4)(i).

Michael Brown has at all times mentioned herein operated, and continues to operate Saginaw Park Trust, which is a community public water system serving between 10 and 100 people, and subject to regulation under ORS 448.115 to 448.290 and OAR 333-061-0005 to 333-061-0295.

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The Agency issued a Notice of Violation and Administrative Order (Order) on July 15, 2010, which is incorporated by reference. The Order identified actions to be completed by Michael Brown in order to comply with the rules allegedly violated. Michael Brown did not appeal the Order, and did not comply with the deadlines specified in the Order.

VIOLATIONS

The proposed civil penalty is based on the following violations:

1. Michael Brown failed to comply with an order issued by the Administrator of the Agency as prescribed by OAR 333-061-0090(4)(i). Specifically, Michael Brown did not submit lead and copper sampling results to the Agency for the Saginaw Park Trust water system by September 10, 2010 as specified in the Order issued on July 15, 2010.

CIVIL PENALTY

Pursuant to OAR 333-061-0090, Michael Brown will be assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$50 for each distinct violation, and for every day the violation occurred. The total civil penalty of \$250 is based upon the violation listed above as specified below:

O Michael Brown will be assessed a penalty for the violation specified above, for the time period from September 11, 2010 through September 15, 2010, inclusive. Each day within this five day period has one associated violation for a total penalty of \$250.

If the violation identified in this notice, or other violations incorporated by reference, continue, Michael Brown may be subject to subsequent civil penalties of \$50 per day per violation.

CIVIL PENALTY FACTORS CONSIDERED

In assessing the civil penalty, the Agency considered the factors set out in ORS 448.285(2).

- The past history of the person incurring the penalty in taking all feasible steps or procedures necessary or appropriate to correct the violation:
 - o The Agency conducted a water system survey (also called a sanitary survey) of the Saginaw Park Trust water system on February 27, 2008 which identified the need to conduct lead and copper sampling between June and September 2008. Michael

Brown was notified of the survey results on April 21, 2008 in a letter which directed him to collect the lead and copper samples as well as making other improvements.

- o The Agency issued a notice of violation on February 23, 2009 requiring the submission of lead and copper samples no later than October 10, 2009, as well as submitting other chemical sampling results.
- O The Agency issued an administrative order on July 15, 2010 requiring, as well as other compliance actions, the submission of lead and copper samples no later than September 10, 2010.

Prior violations:

- o Michael Brown violated OAR 333-061-0036(2)(a) four times between April 1, 2008 and March 31, 2009 by failing to sample quarterly for arsenic as required by the rule.
- o Michael Brown violated OAR 333-061-0036(2)(c) two times between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2009 by failing to sample annually for lead and copper as required by the rule.
- O Michael Brown violated OAR 333-061-0036(2)(d) one time in 2008 by failing to sample for nitrate as required by the rule.
- O Michael Brown violated OAR 333-061-0036(6)(b) seventeen times between May 1, 2008 and July 31, 2010 by failing to sample monthly for coliform bacteria as required by the rule.
- o Michael Brown violated OAR 333-061-0036(7)(a) nine times between April 1, 2008 and June 30, 2010 by failing to sample quarterly for radionuclides as required by the rule.
- Economic and financial conditions of the person incurring the penalty:
 - O The Agency has no information about the economic or financial conditions of Michael Brown.

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NOTICE OF RIGHT TO REQUEST A HEARING

You are entitled to a hearing as provided by the Administrative Procedure Act (Oregon Revised Statutes, Chapter 183). If you want a hearing, you must file a written request for hearing with the Agency within 20 days from the date this Notice was mailed. The request for hearing must be sent to: David E. Leland, Manager; DHS - Drinking Water Program; PO Box 14450; Portland, OR 97293-0450. If a request for hearing is not received with the 20-day period, you will have waived your right to a hearing.

If you request a hearing, you will be notified of the time and place of the hearing. You will also be given information on the procedures, right of representation and other rights of parties relating to the conduct of the hearing before commencement of the hearing. Any hearing will be held by an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings (ORS 183.635).

If you do not request a hearing within 20 days, or if you withdraw a request for hearing, notify the Agency or the administrative law judge that you will not appear or fail to appear at a scheduled hearing, the Agency may issue a final order by default ordering you to pay a civil penalty. If the Agency issues a final order by default, the Agency designates the relevant portions of its files on this matter, including all materials that you have submitted relating to this matter, as the record for purposes of proving a prima facie case upon default.

For purposes of ORS 293.229 through 293.233 and ORS 293.250, the civil penalty specified herein will become a liquidated debt if a final order is issued. Pursuant to ORS 293.231 the Agency is required to assign liquidated and delinquent civil penalties to the Department of Revenue, as provided in ORS 293.250, not later than 90 days after the final order is issued. Reasonable administrative costs, collection costs, attorney's fees, and all other costs and charges necessary for the collection of any amount not paid when due, including but not limited to collection charges assessed by the Department of Revenue may be added to the amount due of \$250.

If you need to receive the information in this letter in an alternate format, or if you have any questions about the requirements in this Notice, please contact Brad K. Daniels, DHS-DWP at (971) 673-0407.

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Dated this 29th day of September, 2010.

Gail R. Shibley, JD, Administrator Office of Environmental Public Health

cc:

Katrinka Danielson, Lane County Environmental Health Casey Lyon, DHS-DWP Harold Rogers, USEPA

DATE of Service: <u>September</u> 30, 2010

Brad K Daniels

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