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**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

**Arroyo Grande Water Department  
300 East Branch Street  
Arroyo Grande, CA 93420**

**Attention: Mr. Shane Taylor  
Maintenance Services Superintendent**

**CITATION No: 04-06-13C-003  
Issued to: ARROYO GRANDE WATER DEPARTMENT  
Public Water System No.: 4010001**

Section 116650 of Chapter 4, Part 12, Division 104 of the California Health and Safety Code (H&S Code), authorizes the issuance of a Citation for failure to comply with a requirement of the California Safe Drinking Water Act, or any regulation, standard, permit or order issued thereunder.

**VIOLATION**

The California Department of Public Health, Drinking Water Field Operations Branch (CDPH) hereby issues a Citation to Arroyo Grande Water Department (Water System) for the following violation:

**Section 64432.1, Chapter 15, Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR):**  
Specifically, during the year 2012, the Water System failed to make the required annual determination of source water nitrate concentration in the water produced by domestic water supply Well No. 10.

1 In accordance with Section 116650 (e) of the Health and Safety Code, the above violation  
2 is classified as a non-continuing violation.  
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5 **BACKGROUND**

6 Arroyo Grande Water Department is a community public water system operating under  
7 authority of a California Department of Public Health (CDPH) domestic water supply  
8 permit. According to Section 64432.1, Title 22, CCR, all public water systems must  
9 sample their active groundwater sources at least annually. For the year 2012, the Water  
10 System did not report a nitrate sample result for Well No. 10. The latest nitrate sample in  
11 CDPH's water quality database was taken on March 15, 2011, and showed a  
12 concentration of non-detect.  
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15 **DIRECTIVES**

16 Arroyo Grande Water Department is hereby directed to take the following actions:

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- 18 1. Collect a source water nitrate sample from Well No. 10 within 15 days, for  
19 analyses by a State Certified Laboratory and have the results submitted  
20 electronically to CDPH, by the analyzing laboratory. The Water System has  
21 informed CDPH it has started this process.
  
  - 22 2. Notify the consumers of the failure to monitor Well 10 for nitrates within 12  
23 months of the violation date, using the procedures outlined for a Tier-3 Public  
24 Notification. The Water System may utilize the 2012 Consumer Confidence  
25 Report (CCR) to comply with the notification requirement. The format shall  
26 comply with Section 64465 (Public Notice Content and Format) of the drinking  
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water regulations. The section of the regulations can be found on page 144 of the following regulation document:  
<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/certlic/drinkingwater/Documents/Lawbook/dwregulations-2011-09-22.pdf>

3. Submit a completed and signed Proof of Public notification certification form to CDPH within 30 days of completion of Public Notification.

4. All responses required by this Citation shall be submitted to:

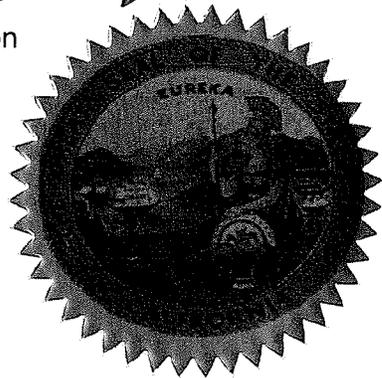
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**CIVIL PENALTIES**

Sections 116650 (d) and (e) of the H&S Code allow for the assessment of a civil penalty for failure to comply with the requirements of Chapter 4. Failure to comply with any provision of this Citation will result in the Department imposing an administrative penalty not to exceed \$1000 (one thousand dollars) per day as of the date of violation of any provision of this Citation.

3/12/2013  
Date Issued

Kurt Souza  
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Southern California Region  
CDPH-DWFOB



cc: San Luis Obispo County Environmental Health

