



State of California—Health and Human Services Agency
California Department of Public Health



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January 22, 2014

Mr. Donald Louv
Board President
Melody Woods Water Company
17145 Melody Lane
Los Gatos, CA 95033

Dear Mr. Louv:

CITATION NO. : 02-17-14C-002
IRON MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL VIOLATION
MELODY WOODS WATER COMPANY, SYSTEM NO. 4300525

Enclosed is a citation issued to Melody Woods Water Company. The citation is issued because the water system failed to comply with Section 64449, Chapter 15, Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR). Specifically, the water delivered into the distribution system from the water treatment plant exceeded the iron maximum contaminant level in December, 2013.

The attached citation consists of three sections: Violation, Directives, and Civil Penalty. The Violation section describes the events leading up to the issuance of the citation. The Directives section specifies what the water system needs to do to return to compliance. The Civil Penalty section describes fees to be assessed for failure to comply with the citation. No civil penalty is levied with the current citation.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Karen Nishimoto at (510) 620-3461.

Sincerely,

Eric Lacy, P.E.
District Engineer
Santa Clara District
Drinking Water Field Operations Branch

Attachment: Proof of Notification Form
cc: Santa Clara County Environmental Health Department (w/o attach.)

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Issued January 22, 2014

RE: Water System No. 4300525
Melody Woods Water Company
17145 Melody Lane
Los Gatos, CA 95033

TO: Mr. Donald Louv
Board President

CITATION FOR NONCOMPLIANCE

Maximum Contaminant Level – Iron

December 2013

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

Violation

The Drinking Water Field Operations Branch of the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "Department") hereby issues a citation to Melody Woods Water Company (hereinafter "Water System")(mailing address: 17145 Melody Lane, Los Gatos, CA 95033) for the following violation:

Section 64449 specifies that the secondary maximum contaminant levels (SMCLs) shown in Tables 64449-A and 64449-B are not to be exceeded in the water supplied to the public by community water systems. During the month of December 2013, the Water System collected one treatment plant effluent iron



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sample on December 11, 2013 with a results of 380 µg/L. This exceeded the iron SMCL of 300 µg/L and resulted in a violation of Section 64449, Chapter 15, Title 22, CCR.

In accordance with Section 116650(e), CHSC, this violation is classified as a non-continuing violation.

Directives

The Water System is hereby directed to take the following actions:

1. Cease and desist violating the requirements of Section 64449, Chapter 15, Title 22, CCR. Specifically, the Water System must cease and desist violating the iron SMCL at the treatment plant effluent.
2. Conduct public notification for the iron SMCL violation within one month in conformance with Section 64463.4(c), Chapter 15, Title 22, CCR. The notification shall be completed in accordance with the following:

Mail or direct delivery to each customer receiving a bill including those that provide their drinking water to others (e.g. schools, apartment building owners, etc.) and other service connections to which water is delivered by the Water System.

Proof of notification must be provided to the Department. This can be met by submitting a completed Proof of Notification form (Attachment enclosed) and a copy of the notice issued within 14 days of completing the notification.

3. Prepare a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) that describes the specific actions that will be taken to ensure that future iron SMCL violations will not occur.



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The Water System must include operational and compliance monitoring in the CAP. At a minimum, this is to include at least quarterly iron and manganese monitoring for Well 3 and Well 5 raw groundwater, monthly treatment facility reports to the Department to be received no later than the 10th of the following month, and quarterly residual disinfectant level monitoring reports submitted to the Department no later than the 10th of the following month. Submit the CAP to the Department by February 28, 2014.

All submittals to the Department are to be addressed to

Mr. Eric Lacy, P.E.
Santa Clara District Engineer
Department of Public Health
Drinking Water Field Operations Branch
850 Marina Bay Parkway
Building P, 2nd Floor
Richmond, CA 95804-6403



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Civil Penalty

Sections 116650(d) and 116650(e), CHSC 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 a civil penalty not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per day as of the date of violation of the provision.

January 22, 2014

Date

Eric Lacy

Eric Lacy, P.E., District Engineer
Santa Clara District
Drinking Water Field Operations Branch

Attachment: Proof of Notification Form

cc: Santa Clara County Environmental Health Department

CERTIFIED MAIL # 7007 0710 0000 5917 2446



PROOF OF NOTIFICATION

Water System Name: Melody Woods Water Company
Water System Number: 4300525

As required by Section 116450 of the California Health and Safety Code, I notified the users of the water supplied by Melody Woods Water Company of the iron maximum contaminant level violation. I complied with the directives of the California Department of Public Health as indicated below:

Required Action

Date Completed

Public Notification by mail or direct delivery.

Signature of Water System Representative

Date

**THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE DEPARTMENT.
A COPY OF THE PUBLISHED NOTICE, DELIVERED NOTICE, AND POSTED NOTICE
MUST BE ATTACHED TO THIS FORM**

Disclosure: Be advised that Section 116725 and 116730 of the California Health and Safety Code states that any person who knowingly makes any false statement on any report or document submitted for the purpose of compliance with the attached citation may be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each separate violation for each day that violation continues. In addition, the violators may be prosecuted in criminal court and upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 for each day of violation, or be imprisoned in county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.