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Office of Enforcement
 Marble Mountain Ranch
 92520 Hwy 96
 Somes Bar, CA 95568

Attention: Douglas Cole, Owner

 Subject: Request for Declaration of Status of Public Water System, Marble Mountain Ranch,
 Public water System #4700812, Somes Bar, Siskiyou County

This office received the "Declaration," dated December 21, 2005, in which you document that your noncommunity water system did not meet the definition of a public water system. You declared that your facility has no more than 14 service connections and does not serve 25 or more people daily for at least 60 days out of the year.

At that time, we agreed that your facility did not meet the definition of a public noncommunity water system. Accordingly, we placed this system on our list of inactivated facilities.

Recently, we have received information suggesting that the Marble Mountain Ranch may be serving water to at least 25 people daily at least 60 days out of the year. Therefore, we are requesting that you apply for a permit to operate a public water system or, if your system still does not meet the definition of a public water system, sign and return the attached "Declaration".

Operation of a Public Water System without a valid permit is a violation of the California Health and Safety Code, Section 116500.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please contact Craig Bunas at (530) 224-4887, or me at (530) 224-4875.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barry Sutter".

 Barry S. Sutter, P.E.
 Klamath District Engineer
 Division of Drinking Water
 Field Operations Branch

Enclosure

 cc: Barbara Brenner, Churchwell White LLP, Sacramento
 Ken Petruzzelli, Attorney III, SWRCB, Sacramento
 Bill Navarre, Siskiyou County Environmental Health Department, Yreka

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DECLARATION
(Transient-Noncommunity)

I, _____, declare that I understand the definition of a public water system, as defined in the California Health and Safety Code (CH&SC), Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4 (California Safe Drinking Water Act), Article 1, Section 116275(h), to mean that a **public** water system is “a system for the provision of water for human consumption through pipes or other constructed conveyances that has 15 or more service connections or regularly serves at least 25 individuals daily at least 60 days out of the year.”

Furthermore, I declare that I understand that Section 116275(e) defines human consumption as “the use of water for drinking, bathing or showering, hand washing, or oral hygiene.”

Furthermore, I declare that I understand that Section 116725 of the CH&SC states that “Any person who knowingly makes any false statement or representation in any application, record, report, or other document submitted, maintained, or used for purposes or compliance with this chapter (California Safe Drinking Water Act (AB 2995)), may be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand (\$5,000) for each separate violation or, for continuing violations, for each day that violation continues.” In addition, Section 116730 of the CH&SC states that 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 by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.

In recognition of the above, declaring that I understand the definition of a public water system and the penalty for giving false information, I declare that my facility, the Marble Mountain Ranch, does not meet the definition of a public water system because it does not serve at least 25 individuals at least 60 days out of the year.

Date

Signature