

# North Charlotte Waterworks, Inc.

April 22, 2016

Office of Commission Clerk  
Public Service Commission  
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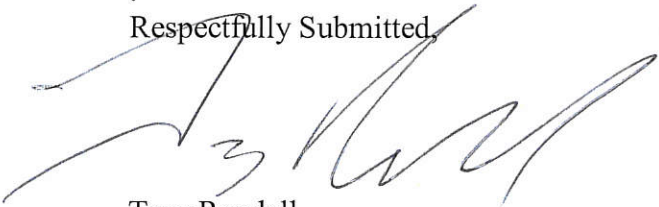
*Re: Docket No. 160058-WS - North Charlotte Waterworks, Inc, application for approval of transfer of Sun River Utilities, Inc. in Charlotte and DeSoto Counties, Florida – Correspondence concerning the Long-term Land Lease*

Dear Commission Clerk,

Please place the attached correspondence concerning the FDEP letter on Rads and North Charlotte Waterworks' response in Docket No. 160058-WS.

Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted,



Troy Rendell  
Manager of Regulated Utilities  
*//For North Charlotte Waterworks, Inc.*



## Florida Department of Environmental Protection

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April 4, 2016

Mr. Joel Schenkman, President  
Sun River Utilities, Inc.  
5195 NW 77<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Miami, Florida 33166-5524

Re: Compliance Assistance Offer  
Sun River Utilities WTP  
PWS ID No. 6084074  
Charlotte County

Dear Mr. Schenkman:

A file review of your facility was conducted on April 1, 2016. During this file review, potential noncompliance was noted. The purpose of this letter is to offer compliance assistance as a means of resolving this matter.

Specifically, a review of the drinking water samples collected on March 16, 2016, indicates the Maximum Contaminant Level for Combined Radium 226 and Radium 228 has been exceeded. This is a violation of Rule 62-550.310(6), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). Therefore, you must notify the public of the monitoring violation in accordance with Rule 62-560.410, F.A.C., by hand delivering a copy of the notice to regular users or potential regular users of the water produced by this water system and by posting a copy of the notice (template enclosed) in at least several conspicuous locations within the service area of the water system by no later than **May 4, 2016**. You must also submit a completed copy of the Certification of Delivery of Public Notice form (copy enclosed) to the Department by no later than **May 14, 2016**, along with a copy of the actual notice that was posted and hand delivered.

We request you review the item of concern noted and respond in writing within **15** days of receipt of this Compliance Assistance Offer. Your written response should include one of the following:

1. Describe what has been done to resolve the non-compliance issue or provide a schedule describing how/when the issue will be addressed.
2. Provide the requested information, or information that mitigates the concerns or demonstrates them to be invalid, or
3. Arrange for the case manager to visit your facility to discuss the item of concern.

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It is the Department's desire that you are able to adequately address the aforementioned issues so that this matter can be closed. Your failure to respond promptly may result in the initiation of formal enforcement proceedings.

Please address your response and any questions to Patty Baron of the South District Office at (239) 344-5615, or via e-mail at [patty.baron@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:patty.baron@dep.state.fl.us). We look forward to your cooperation with this matter.

Sincerely,



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Deanna Newburg  
Environmental Manager  
South District  
Florida Department of Environmental Protection

DLN/PB/rcd

Enclosures: Public Notice Template  
DEP Certification of Delivery Form

cc: Melisa Rotteveel, Operator, [mrotteveel@uswatercorp.net](mailto:mrotteveel@uswatercorp.net), (w/enclosures)  
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Keith Keene, Charlotte County DOH, [keith\\_keene@doh.state.fl.us](mailto:keith_keene@doh.state.fl.us), (w/enclosures)  
Juan Robles, FDEP, [juan.robles@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:juan.robles@dep.state.fl.us)

## Important Information About Your Drinking Water

### **Sun River Utilities, Inc. Water System has a level of Radium 226 and Radium 228 which violates Standards**

#### SITUATION

The laboratory analyses results for the three most recent sets of consecutive quarterly samples for the Radiological contaminants of combined Radium 226 and Radium 228, collected on March 16, 2016, December 28, 2015, and September 2, 2015 from the Sun River Utilities, Inc. public drinking water system, currently indicates a running annual average concentration of 9.23 picoCuries per liter (pCi/L). Therefore, the Department has determined that this water system has generated a Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) violation for combined Radium 226 and Radium 228, since Rule 62-550.310(6), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), identifies the MCL for combined Radium 226 and Radium 228 as 5 pCi.L.

#### WHAT SHOULD CUSTOMERS DO?

**You do not need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.**

#### WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, some people who drink water containing radium 226 or 228 in excess of the MCL may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

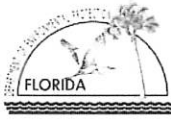
#### WHAT IS BEING DONE?

By no later than April 19, 2016, the Sun River Utilities, Inc. water system is required to submit to the Department a written plan of corrective action which addresses how the combined Radium 226 and Radium 228 MCL violation will be corrected. The plan must include specific activities as well as completion dates for each activity which is identified.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

For more information please contact \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_, or you  
*Name Phone*  
may contact Patty Baron of the Department of Environmental Protection at  
[Patty.Baron@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:Patty.Baron@dep.state.fl.us), or call (239) 344-5615.

**Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly. You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.**



## PWS CERTIFICATION OF DELIVERY OF PUBLIC NOTICE

**INSTRUCTIONS:** The supplier of water, within ten days of completion of each public notification requirement pursuant to Part IV of Chapter 62-560, Florida Administrative Code, shall submit to the appropriate Department of Environmental Protection District Office or Approved County Health Department a completed DEP Form 62-555.900(22), Certification of Delivery of Public Notice, and include with the form a representative copy of each type of notice distributed, published, posted, and made available to the persons served by the system, and the media. All information provided on this form shall be typed or printed in ink.

I. General Information		
Public Water System (PWS) Name:		
PWS ID:		
PWS Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Community <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Transient Non-Community <input type="checkbox"/> Transient Non-Community		
PWS Owner:		
Contact Person:	Contact Person's Title:	
Contact Person's Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Contact Person's Telephone Number:	Contact Person's Fax Number:	
Contact Person's E-Mail Address:		

II. Certification						
For Violation/Situation:						
Date of Occurrence:						
Consultation Date:						
Delivery Methods:	<input type="checkbox"/> Radio/TV	<input type="checkbox"/> Mail	<input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper	<input type="checkbox"/> Hand Delivery	<input type="checkbox"/> Posting	<input type="checkbox"/> Other(describe)
Delivery Date/s:						

***I am duly authorized to sign this form on behalf of the public water system identified in Part I of this form. I certify that the information provided on this form is correct to the best of my knowledge and that public notice has been provided to consumers in accordance with the delivery, content, and format requirements and deadlines in Chapter 62-560, Florida Administrative Code.***

Signature and Date	Printed or Typed Name	Title
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Water and Wastewater Utility Operations, Maintenance, Engineering, Management, Construction

April 22, 2016

Florida Department of Environmental Protection  
South District  
PO Box 2549  
Fort Myers, FL 33902-2549

Reference: Sun River Utilities  
PWS# 608-4074  
Radium 26/228

Dear Ms. Patty Baron,

US Water Services reviewed the Radium 226/228 results and consulted with an engineer at US Water Serves Crop, Mr. Mo Kader. His recommendation is to change/replace the RO membranes with more efficient ones that can remove the Radium and Gross Alpha Practical Activity. US Water has replaced the RO membranes in mid-March, since the last sample was March 16, 2016; we are planning on sampling again in June 2016. Once we receive the sample results, US Water will review the results and decide the next step of action (if required).

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 904-540-9765 or by email at; [rderosette@uswatercorp.net](mailto:rderosette@uswatercorp.net).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron DeRossett", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ron DeRossett  
Utility Manager  
US Water Service Corp