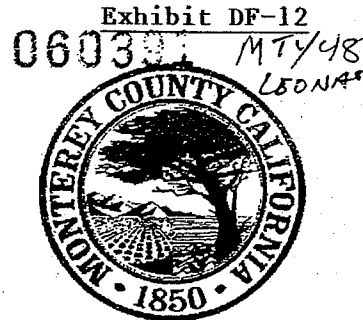


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April 3, 2006

Ryan Ranch Water System
Attn: Steve Leonard
50 Ragsdale Dr.
Monterey CA 93942

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**RE: Compliance Order No. 06-003
Ryan Ranch Water System , I.D. No. 270-1466**

CAL-AM WATER CO.

Dear Mr. Leonard,

The California Health and Safety Code (H&SC), Section 116655, gives the Monterey County Health Department, Environmental Health Division, (MCHD,EHD) authority to issue Orders directing compliance with the Health and Safety Code (HSC), Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4 (a.k.a., the Safe Drinking Water Act), and with any permit, standard, or regulation issued or adopted pursuant to said Chapter. This Compliance Order directs the referenced water system to comply with State regulations and domestic water permit conditions by supplying specified documents and information.

The H&SC requires that a water system shall reimburse MCHD,EHD for costs incurred in enforcement activities related to said system. Enforcement activities include preparing, issuing, and monitoring compliance with an order or citation; preparing and issuing public notification; and conducting a permit suspension or revocation hearing. An invoice for these costs, based on a \$111/hour rate, is enclosed and addressed to the Ryan Ranch Water System. If you have any questions regarding this compliance order, please contact this office at 755-4507.

Sincerely,

Allen J. Stroh, M.P.H., R.E.H.S.
Director, Environmental Health Division

Enclosure: Compliance Order No. 06-003

cc: Cheryl Sandoval, Supervising Environmental Health Specialist
Richard LeWarne, Assistant Director
County Counsel
Betsy Lichti, District Engineer DHS
Matt Bogoshian, Deputy District Attorney (with enclosure)

COUNTY OF MONTEREY
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

In RE: **Cal-Am Water Company, Ryan Ranch Water System I.D. No. 270-1466**

To: Cal-Am Water Company
Attn: Mr. Steve Leonard
50 Ragsdale Dr. Suite 100
Monterey, CA. 93942-0951

Findings

1. Cal-Am Water Company, Ryan Ranch Water System (hereinafter "Respondent") supplies domestic water to approximately 155 connections. The Respondent is currently operating by authority of a domestic water permit issued by the Monterey County Health Department (hereinafter "Department") on June 26, 1989.
2. The Respondent supplies water obtained from Wells # 7 & #11. Well # 9 is classified as a "standby well". Also Well #10 is out of production due to the fact that the casing has collapsed. The respondent is relying on water delivered through an emergency connection into the main Cal-Am line that supplies water to the Monterey Peninsula and Carmel Valley to supplement the domestic water supply. Storage is provided by a storage tank with a total storage capacity of approximately 500,000 gallons. To maintain water pressure water is gravity fed from the storage tank to the service connections.
3. The Respondent's domestic water permit includes the following conditions:

- 1 a. The system shall at all times remain in compliance with Federal, State, and County
2 rules and regulations pertaining to water systems.
- 3 b. Water for domestic purposes shall, under all circumstances and conditions, be pure,
4 wholesome and potable, and shall not endanger the lives or health of human beings.

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6 4. This permit conditions have not been met in that:

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- 8 a. The water supplied for domestic purposes by the Respondent does not meet the
9 standard for quantity set forth in California Code of Regulation, Title 22, Section
10 64562 (a).
- 11 b. The Health and Safety Code Section 116555 requires a water system to provide a
12 reliable and adequate supply of pure, wholesome, healthful and adequate water.

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14 History

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16 Monthly production data indicates that the water system continues to rely on water from an
17 emergency connection into the regional Cal AM Water System to meet water demand. A new
18 well (well #11) was drilled in 2003 to alleviate the need to continue to rely on the emergency
19 connection. The production data indicates that the water system is primarily relying on well #7,
20 and well #7 cannot keep up with the water demand.

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Conclusions

1. Based on the above described Findings, the Department concludes that the Respondent has violated provisions of the California Health and Safety Code (HSC), Division 5, Part 1, Chapter 7, AKA the California Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA); and California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 22, Chapter 15. This violation includes, but is not limited to the following:

- a. Failure to provide a permanent, continuous and adequate supply of water.

Order

1. Pursuant to Section 116555 of the HSC, the Department hereby issues Compliance Order No. 06-003, which orders Respondent, Cal-Am Water Company Ryan Ranch Water System, to do the following to ensure that the water supplied shall at all times be pure, wholesome, potable and healthful.

- a. By **June 5, 2006**, submit to the Department a plan for the necessary improvements to the water system to ensure a permanent, continuous and adequate supply of potable water.
- b. Implement the plan by **September 5, 2006**.

1 2. The Department reserves the right to make such modifications to this Order as it may deem
2 necessary to protect public health and safety. Such modifications may be issued as
3 amendments to this Order and shall be effective upon issuance.

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5 3. All submittals required by this order shall be addressed to:

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7 Resource Protection Branch
8 1270 Natividad Road, Rm. 109
9 Salinas, CA 93906-3198

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11 4. If Respondent is unable to perform the tasks specified in this Order for any
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14 extend the time for performance if Respondent demonstrates that it has used its best efforts to
15 comply with the schedules and other requirements of this Order. If Respondent fails to
16 perform any of the tasks specified in this Order by the time described herein or by the time as
17 subsequently extended pursuant to this paragraph, Respondent shall be deemed not to have
18 complied with the obligations of this Order and may be subject to additional judicial action
19 including civil penalties specified in the HSC, Section 116725.

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3 6. By issuance of this Order, the Department does not waive any further enforcement actions.


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5 Parties Bound

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7 This Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Respondent, its officers, directors, agents,
8 employees, contractors, successors, and designees.

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10 Severability

11 The requirements of this Order are severable, and Respondent shall comply with each and
12 every provision thereof notwithstanding the effectiveness of any other provision.

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15 Date: 4/4/06

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17 Allen J. Stroh, M.P.A., R.E.H.S.
18 Director, Environmental Health Division

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20 cc: Cheryl Sandoval, Supervising Environmental Specialist
21 Jan Sweigart, Department of Health Services
22 Patrick McGreal, County Counsel
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