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Mike Beam, Secretary

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May 11, 2023

DONALD E & FRANCES L PLETCHER
PO BOX 303
SHARON SPRINGS, KS 67758-0303

RE: Field Office Application for Change
Water Right, File Nos. 9595, 11795, 11817, 16352, 19211, 26284

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are orders executed by the designee of the Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, approving the application for change under the above referenced file numbers.

Your attention is directed to the enclosures and to the terms, conditions, and limitations specified in these approvals for change. A condition of this approval is that an acceptable water flow meter must be installed on the diversion works authorized under the referenced file number and meet current specifications. Please return the required notification of completion of the diversion works and installation of the required meter as soon as these actions are completed.

Since the orders modify the original documents referred to above, they should be recorded with the Register of Deeds as other instruments affecting real estate.

With these approvals, there will be a new Four County LEMA allocation approved for these water rights soon.

Should you have any questions, please feel free contact this office. If you would prefer, you could arrange an appointment for additional assistance.

Sincerely,


Michael A. Meyer
Water Commissioner

MAM:
Enclosures
pc: GMD1

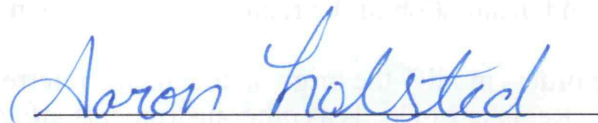
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On this 11th day of May 2023, I hereby certify that the foregoing Approvals of Application for Change in Place of use, Water Right, File Nos. 9,595, 11,795, 11,817, 16,352, 19,211, 26,284 dated 11th day of May 2023 was mailed postage prepaid, first class, US mail to the following:

DONALD E & FRANCES L PLETCHER
PO BOX 303
SHARON SPRINGS, KS 67758-0303

Pc:

GMD1

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Aaron Holsted". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Division of Water Resources Staff

Submit completed application to:
 Kansas Department of Agriculture
 Division of Water Resources
 Field Office for your area.

DWR FIELD OFFICE APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL TO CHANGE THE PLACE OF USE AND/OR THE POINT OF DIVERSION



STATE OF KANSAS

Call for address:
 Topeka -- (785) 296-5733
 Stafford -- (620) 234-5311
 Stockton -- (785) 425-6787
 Garden City -- (620) 276-2901
<http://agriculture.ks.gov/dwr>

Filing Fee Must Accompany the Application, K.S.A. 82a-708b(b), as amended.
 Fee Schedule is on the third page of this application form.

Paragraph Nos. 1, 2, 3 & 5 must be completed. Complete all other applicable portions. If change in point of diversion is greater than 100 feet, or if place of use will be changed, include a topographic map or detailed plat showing the authorized and proposed point(s) of diversion and/or place of use.

File No. 9595

RECEIVED
 2:30 pm
 APR 24 2023

Garden City Field Office
 Division of Water Resources

1. Application is hereby made for approval of the Chief Engineer to change the (check one or both):

Place of Use Point of Diversion

under the water right which is the subject of this application in accordance with the conditions described below.

The source of supply is: Groundwater Surface water

2. Name and address of Applicant: DONALD E & FRANCES L PLETCHER

PO BOX 303 SHARON SPRINGS KS 67758-0303

Phone Number: (785) 852-4389

Email address: DEPANDFLP@HOTMIAL.COM

Name and address of Water Use Correspondent: SAME AS ABOVE

Phone Number: ()

Email address: _____

3. The presently authorized place of use is:

Owner of Land ---- NAME: DONALD E & FRANCES L PLETCHER

ADDRESS: PO BOX 303 SHARON SPRINGS KS 67758-0303

(If there is more than one landowner, attach supplemental sheets as necessary.)

Sec.	Twp.	Range	NE¼				NW¼				SW¼				SE¼				TOTAL ACRES
			NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼	NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼	NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼	NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼	
4	15S	39W									40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	320

4. If this application is for a change in place of use, it is proposed that the place of use be changed to:

Owner of Land ---- NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

(If there is more than one landowner, attach supplemental sheets as necessary.)

Sec.	Twp.	Range	NE¼				NW¼				SW¼				SE¼				TOTAL ACRES				
			NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼	NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼	NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼	NE¼	NW¼	SW¼	SE¼					
4	15S	39W									40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	320				
3	15S	39W	L-1	L-2			L-3	L-4			39.77	39.73	40	40	39.67	39.63	40	40	40	40	40	40	638.80

For Office Use Only: Code _____ Fee \$ <u>200.00</u> TR # _____ Receipt Date <u>4-24-23</u> Check # <u>17396</u>

5. **Presently authorized point of diversion:**
 One in the _____ Quarter of the _____ Quarter of the _____ Quarter
 of Section _____, Township _____ South, Range _____ (W),
 in _____ County, Kansas, _____ feet North _____ feet West of Southeast corner of section.
 Authorized Rate _____ Authorized Quantity _____ Depth of well _____ (feet)
 (DWR use only: Computer ID No. _____ GPS _____ feet North _____ feet West)
 This point will not be changed This point will be changed as follows: No change, point better described with GPS as follows:
Proposed point of diversion: (Complete only if change is requested or if existing point is better described by GPS)
 One in the _____ Quarter of the _____ Quarter of the _____ Quarter
 of Section _____, Township _____ South, Range _____ (W),
 in _____ County, Kansas, _____ feet North _____ feet West of Southeast corner of section.
 Proposed Rate _____ Proposed Quantity _____ Proposed well depth (feet) _____
 This point is: Additional Well Geo Center List other water rights that will use this point _____

6. **Presently authorized point of diversion:**
 One in the _____ Quarter of the _____ Quarter of the _____ Quarter
 of Section _____, Township _____ South, Range _____ (W),
 in _____ County, Kansas, _____ feet North _____ feet West of Southeast corner of section.
 Authorized Rate _____ Authorized Quantity _____ Depth of well _____ (feet)
 (DWR use only: Computer ID No. _____ GPS _____ feet North _____ feet West)
 This point will not be changed This point will be changed as follows: No change, point better described with GPS as follows:
Proposed point of diversion: (Complete only if change is requested or if existing point is better described by GPS)
 One in the _____ Quarter of the _____ Quarter of the _____ Quarter
 of Section _____, Township _____ South, Range _____ (W),
 in _____ County, Kansas, _____ feet North _____ feet West of Southeast corner of section.
 Proposed Rate _____ Proposed Quantity _____ Proposed well depth (feet) _____
 This point is: Additional Well Geo Center List other water rights that will use this point _____

7. The changes herein are desired for the following reasons?
 (please be specific) CREATE A COMPLETE OVERLAP
IN PLACE OF USE BETWEEN FILE NOS. 9595;
16352 & 11795

8. If a well, is the test hole log attached? Yes No

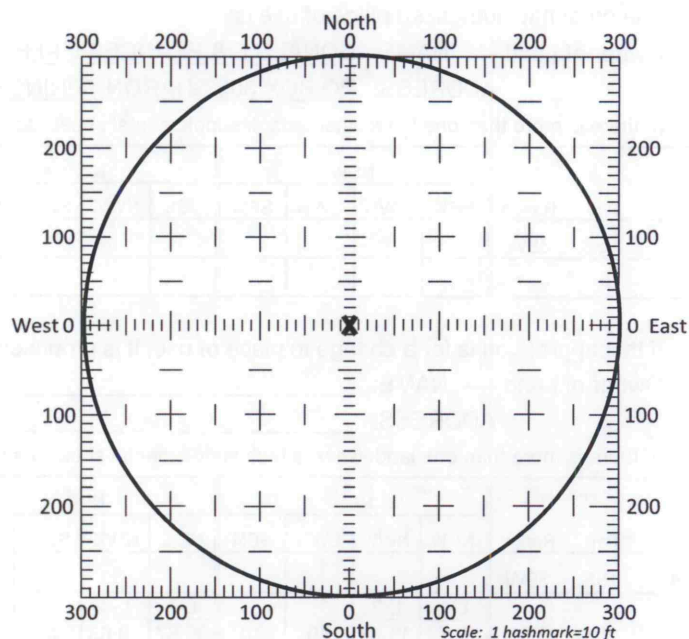
9. The change(s) (was)(will be) completed by?
UPON APPROVAL

10. If the point of diversion is a well:
 (a) What are you going to do with the old well?
N / A
 (b) When will this be done? N / A

11. Groundwater Management District recommendation attached?
 Yes No

12. Assisted by AM / GCFO

13a. If the proposed point of diversion will be relocated more than 300 feet but within 2,640 feet of the existing point of diversion, attach a topographic map or aerial photograph. For groundwater sources, show all wells (including domestic) within one-half mile of the proposed point of diversion and the names and mailing addresses of the owners. For surface water sources, show the names and addresses of the landowner(s) one-half mile downstream and one-half mile upstream from your property lines



13b. If the proposed point of diversion will be relocated within a 300 foot radius of the existing point of diversion, indicate its location on the diagram shown above in relation to the existing point of diversion. The proposed point of diversion must be located within the circle shown above. (PLEASE NOTE: The "X" in center of diagram above represents the presently authorized point of diversion.)

14. If the proposed groundwater point of diversion is 300 or fewer feet from the existing point of diversion, complete the following:
- (a) Does the undersigned represent all owners of the currently authorized place(s) of use identified in this application?
 Yes No (If no, all owners must sign this application.)
 - (b) Will the ownership interest of any owner of the currently authorized place(s) of use identified in this application be adversely affected if this application is approved as requested?
 Yes No (If yes, all owners must sign this application.)
 - (c) If this application is not approved expeditiously, will there be substantial damage to property, public health or safety?
 Yes No (If no, all owners must sign this application.)

If the application proposes a surface water change in point of diversion, a groundwater change in point of diversion greater than 300 feet, or a change in place of use, the application must be signed by all owners of the currently authorized place of use, or their duly authorized agent (attach notarized statement authorizing representation).

I hereby verify, being first duly sworn upon my oath or affirmation and under penalty of perjury, that I am of lawful age and the owner, the spouse of the owner, or a duly authorized agent of the owner(s) to make this application on their behalf, in regards to the water right(s) to which this application pertains. I further verify that the statements contained in this application are true, correct and complete.

Dated at Garden City, Kansas, this 24th day of April, 20 23.

Donald E Pletcher
 (Owner)

Frances L Pletcher
 (Spouse)

DONALD E PLETCHER
 (Please Print)

FRANCES L PLETCHER
 (Please Print)

 (Owner)

 (Spouse)

 (Please Print)

 (Please Print)

 (Owner)

 (Spouse)

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State of Kansas }
 County of Finney } SS

I hereby certify that the foregoing application was signed in my presence and sworn to before me this 24th day of April, 20 23.

My Commission Expires 

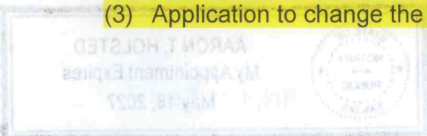
Julie Jones
 Notary Public

ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE PROCESSED. To be complete, all of the applicable portions of the application form must be completed with accurate information; maps, if necessary, must be included; signatures of all the appropriate owners' must be affixed to the application and notarized; and the appropriate fee must be paid.

FEE SCHEDULE

Each application to change the place of use or the point of diversion under this section shall be accompanied by the application fee set forth in the schedule below: Make checks payable to: **Kansas Department of Agriculture**

- (1) Application to change a point of diversion 300 feet or less \$100
- (2) Application to change a point of diversion more than 300 feet \$200
- (3) Application to change the place of use \$200



SUMMARY ORDER APPROVING APPLICATION FOR CHANGE AND IMPOSING CONDITIONS

This Summary Order is issued under authority of K.S.A. 82a-708b, as amended, and K.A.R. 5-5-1, *et seq.* and other applicable provisions of the *Kansas Water Appropriation Law, K.S.A. 82a-701 et. seq.*, and rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, With the exception of those conditions expressly contained herein, this Summary Order does not change the terms, conditions and limitations of File No. 9595

1. A change application was received on APR/24, 2023 requesting that the place of use and / or point of diversion authorized under the above-referenced file number be changed as described in the application.
2. On and after the effective date of this summary order, the authorized place(s) of use shall be located substantially as shown on the topographic map accompanying the application to change the place of use. Applicable Not Applicable
3. The change in point of diversion shall not impair existing rights and shall be limited to the same source or sources of water as previously authorized. The point of diversion authorized by this summary order shall be located within a _____ foot radius of the authorized point(s) of diversion. Applicable Not Applicable
4. The point(s) of diversion described herein is administratively corrected to be more accurately described using the Global Positioning System (GPS), as described in the application. Applicable Not Applicable
5. The point(s) of diversion authorized herein shall not actually be located more than _____ feet from the previously authorized point(s) of diversion. Applicable Not Applicable
6. As required by K.A.R. 5-3-5d, if the works for diversion is a well with a diversion rate of 100 gallons per minute or more, a tube or other device suitable for making water level measurements shall be installed, operated and maintained in accordance with K.A.R. 5-6-13. Applicable Not Applicable
7. **The owner of the authorized place(s) of use shall properly install an acceptable water flow meter on or before December 31, 2023**, or before the first use of water, whichever occurs first. The water flow meter shall be installed, operated and maintained in accordance with K.A.R. 5-1-4 through 5-1-12. As required by K.S.A. 82a-732, as amended, and K.A.R. 5-3-5e, the owner shall maintain records and report the reading of the water flow meter and the total quantity of water diverted annually to the Chief Engineer by March 1 following the end of each calendar year. Applicable Not Applicable
8. **Installation of the works for diversion of water shall be completed on or before December 31, 2023**, or within any authorized extension of time. By March 1, 2023 the applicant shall notify the Chief Engineer that construction of the works for diversion has been completed, on the form provided by the Chief Engineer, as required by K.A.R. 5-8-4e. Applicable Not Applicable
9. **The completed well log shall be submitted with the required notice.** Applicable Not Applicable
10. All diversion works into which any type of chemical or other foreign substance will be injected into the water shall be equipped with an in-line, automatic, quick-closing check valve capable of preventing pollution of the source of the water supply. The check valve(s) shall be installed, operated and maintained in accordance with K.A.R. 5-3-5c. Applicable Not Applicable
11. Additional Conditions are attached. Yes No
12. In accordance with K.S.A. 82a-708a, as amended, and K.A.R. 5-5-14, all of the owners of the authorized place(s) of use of water appropriated under the above-referenced file number are responsible for compliance with its terms, conditions and limitations, as amended and/or supplemented by this Summary Order, and with applicable provisions of the *Kansas Water Appropriation Law* and the *Rules and Regulations* promulgated thereunder. Failure to comply with these provisions may result in civil penalties pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-737, as amended, and/or the suspension or revocation and dismissal of the water or appropriation right or any other enforcement actions authorized by law.

Administrative Appeal and Effective Date of Order

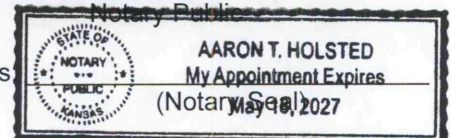
If you are aggrieved by this order, pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-1901, you may request an evidentiary hearing before the Chief Engineer or request administrative review by the Secretary of Agriculture. A request for hearing by the Chief Engineer must be filed within **15 days** of service of this Order and a request for administrative review by the Secretary must be filed within **30 days** pursuant to K.S.A. 77-531. Any request for administrative review must state a basis for review pursuant to K.S.A. 77-527. File any request with **Kansas Department of Agriculture, Legal Division, 1320 Research Park Drive, Manhattan, KS 66502**. Failure to timely request a hearing or review may preclude review under the Kansas Judicial Review Act.

For Use by Register of Deeds

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY
**APPLICATION APPROVED AND
SUMMARY ORDER ISSUED**

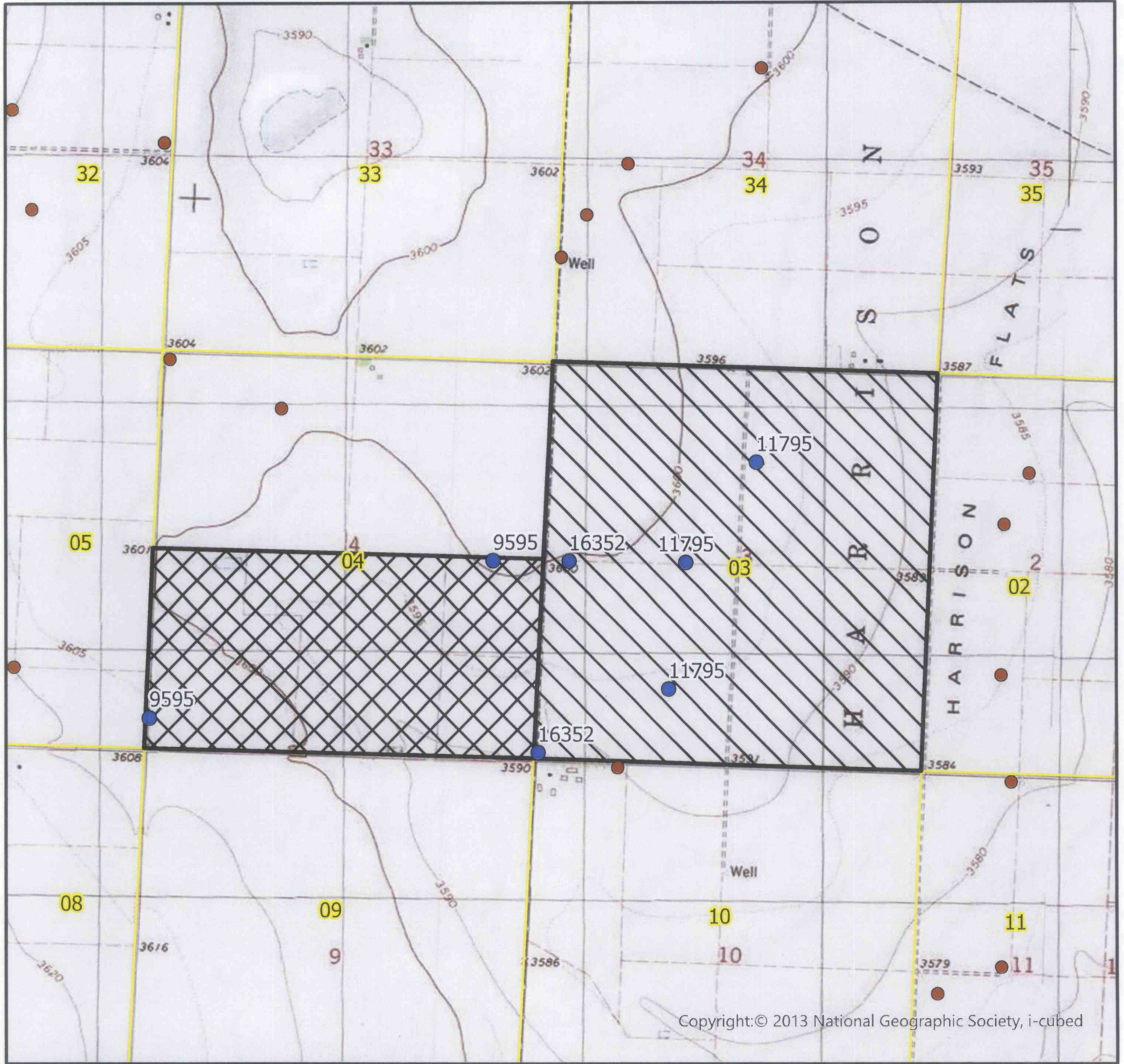
By: Michael A. Meyer
Duly Authorized Designee of the Chief Engineer
(Print Name): MICHAEL A. MEYER
Division of Water Resources - Kansas Department of Agriculture
Date of Issuance: May 11, 2023
State of Kansas _____)
County of Linney _____) SS
Acknowledged before me on May 11, 2023
by Michael A Meyer
Signature: Aaron Holsted

My commission expires _____



CHANGE IN PLACE OF USE WATER RIGHT, FILE NO. 9595

Section 3 & 4 Township 15 South Range 39 West Wallace County



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- Authorized Point of Diversion
- Permitted Water Right
- ★ Domestic Well within 1/2 mile
- Authorized Place of Use
- Proposed Place of Use

List of owner name and addresses within 1/2 mile:



By signing below I agree that all wells, including domestic, and owners names and addresses within 1/2 mile of the proposed point of diversion have been shown on the map

(Signature)

Date

Date AM/GCFO
1:24,000 Scale

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April 25, 2023

WESTERN KANSAS GROUNDWATER
906 W. 5th
P.O. BOX 604
SCOTT CITY KS 67871

Re: Request for Recommendation
Water Right File Nos. 9595, 11795, 16352 and 11817, 19211, 26284

Dear Ms. Durham:

This is to advise you that Donnie Pletcher has filed applications for approval of the Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, to change the place of use for the above referenced files. This application meets the current rules. There are two sets of groups that will be created with these applications requests to physically combine wells together.

We are delaying action on the change application to allow you time to review and provide a recommendation. Please submit a recommendation within 15 days from the date of this letter.

Thank you and as always feel free to contact this office at any time.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Meyer
Water Commissioner

MAM
Enclosures