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LETTER OF DEFICIENCY #WSEB 04-102
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Al Endriunas
Ragged Mountain Ski Area
620 Ragged Mountain Road
Danbury, NH 03230

Subject: Danbury – Public Water System: Ragged Mountain Ski Area (EPA #0577020)

Dear Mr. Endriunas:

The records of the Department of Environmental Services (DES) show that Ragged Mountain Ski Area water system is classified as a public water system (PWS), as defined by RSA 485:1-a. A PWS is defined as any water system serving 15 or more services, or 25 or more people for 60 or more days per year. As such, the water system owner is required to submit samples to the State laboratory or a State-certified laboratory for coliform bacteria analysis in compliance with NH Administrative Rule Env-Ws 325.

DES records show that an Acute Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) violation for Fecal coliform or E. Coli bacteria, as defined in NH Admin. Rule Env-Ws 315.01 has occurred and that a letter of violation was issued for the month of **October 2003**.

DES records also show that a Standard MCL violation for total coliform bacteria, as defined in NH Admin. Rule Env-Ws 315.01 has occurred and that a letter of violation was issued for the month of **July 2004**.

DES believes the MCL violations can be corrected and future violations prevented by taking the following actions:

1. **By August 17, 2004**, retain the services of a qualified water system consultant to address the system's water quality problems relative to the recent bacteriological occurrences; and

2. **By August 31, 2004**, submit to DES for review a copy of the consultant's report which shall include recommendations to correct the bacteria contamination; and

3. **By September 14, 2004**, submit to DES for review and approval an implementation schedule which identifies specific dates by which steps to correct the bacteria contamination will be accomplished.

In the event compliance is not achieved within this period, DES may take further enforcement action, including issuing an order requiring the deficiencies be corrected, initiating an administrative fine proceeding and/or referring the matter to the NH Department of Justice for imposition of appropriate penalties.

The copy of the consultant's written report **and the implementation schedule** as requested above should be addressed as follows:

Anne S. Bailey
Department of Environmental Services
Water Supply Engineering Bureau
29 Hazen Drive, P.O. Box 95
Concord, NH 03302-0095

Please be reminded to carry out the public notice requirements and provide proof of public notice to DES for the July 2004 MCL violation.

Please contact Anne Bailey by phone at (603) 271-0672, or by e-mail at *abailey@des.state.nh.us* if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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René Pelletier, P.G., Manager
Land Resource Programs

Enclosures: MCL public notice form
Master Sampling Schedule

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cc: Gretchen R. Hamel, DES Legal Unit Administrator
Town of Danbury Health Officer
Kevin Coburn, Primary Contact/Sampling Agent (w/encl.)
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