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By: Don Lassiter Date: 12-9-14

Effective Date: December 9, 2014

Thomas J. Meade
 536 Townsend Ave.
 Columbus, Ohio 43223

RE: Thomas Meade
 Director's Authorization
 Revocation
 Water & Wastewater Operator Certification
 Franklin County
 Certificate No. WS1-1120901-12

CERTIFIED MAIL

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Subject: Final Revocation of Class 1 Water Supply Certificate

Dear Mr. Meade:

I am writing with regard to your Class 1 Water Supply Certificate issued to you by Ohio EPA pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Chapter 3745-7. Conversations with the Franklin County Engineer's Office and review of your position description indicated that you falsified work history information on your Class 1 Water Supply exam application. Based on this information, you have violated Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6109 and the rules adopted thereunder. In violation of OAC Rule 3745-7-12, you have knowingly submitted a false application and fraudulently obtained a Class 1 Water Supply Certificate.

Pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-7-12(A), the Director may revoke the certificate of an operator upon finding that the operator has knowingly or negligently submitted misleading, inaccurate or false reports, documents or applications, or has fraudulently obtained any certificate, or has operated in such a manner as to have violated provisions of ORC Chapter 6109. Pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-7-12(C), the Director shall take action on all certificates held by the certified operator in cases dealing with fraudulent or falsified information.

On September 9, 2013, the Director of Ohio EPA proposed revocation of your Class 1 Water Supply Certificate WS1-1120901-12. On October 11, 2013, you filed a request for an adjudication hearing (Ohio EPA Case No. 13-OC-10-5); however, subsequent to filing the request, you failed to comply with the Hearing Officer's Orders and did not participate in scheduled telephone conferences on June 25, 2014 and August 19, 2014. On August 29, 2014, pursuant to the authority granted by OAC Rule 3745-47-06(D)(11), and due to your repeated failure to comply with the Hearing Officer's Orders, you were dismissed as a party in the case. On September 25, 2014, in light of your dismissal and the fact there remained no unresolved issues of law or fact requiring an adjudication hearing, the Hearing Officer made a recommendation that Ohio EPA Case No. 13-OC-10-5 be dismissed.

Per the Hearing Officer's recommendation, I issued Director's Orders dismissing Ohio EPA Case No. 13-OC-10-5, on October 30, 2014. With the issuance of this letter, I hereby revoke your Class 1 Water Supply Certificate WS1-1120901-12.

You are hereby notified that this action of the Director is final and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission pursuant to ORC Section 3745.04. The appeal must be in writing and set forth the action complained of and the grounds upon which the appeal is based. The appeal must be filed with the Commission within thirty (30) days after notice of the Director's action. The appeal must be accompanied by a filing fee of \$70.00, made payable to "Treasurer, State of Ohio," which the Commission, in its discretion, may reduce if by affidavit it is demonstrated that payment of the full amount of the fee would cause extreme hardship. Notice of the filing of the appeal shall be filed with the Director within three (3) days of filing with the Commission. Ohio EPA requests that a copy of the appeal be served upon the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Environmental Enforcement Section. An appeal may be filed with the Environmental Review Appeals Commission at the following address:

Environmental Review Appeals Commission
77 South High Street, 17th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "CWB", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Craig W. Butler
Director

cc: Operator file
ec: Holly Kaloz, CAS Manager, DDAGW-CO
Susan Schell, ELO Manager, DDAGW-CO
Jose Quinones, District Manager, DDAGW-CDO
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