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BUREAU OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY

CALENDAR YEAR 2008 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT
CERTIFICATION FORM

South Lowndes Water Assn.
Public Water Supply Name

MS0440097
List PWS ID #s for all Water Systems Covered by this CCR

The Federal Safe Drinking Water Act requires each *community* public water system to develop and distribute a consumer confidence report (CCR) to its customers each year. Depending on the population served by the public water system, this CCR must be mailed to the customers, published in a newspaper of local circulation, or provided to the customers upon request.

Please Answer the Following Questions Regarding the Consumer Confidence Report

Customers were informed of availability of CCR by: *(Attach copy of publication, water bill or other)*

- Advertisement in local paper
- On water bills
- Other _____

Date customers were informed: 6/29/09

CCR was distributed by mail or other direct delivery. Specify other direct delivery methods:

Date Mailed/Distributed: / /

CCR was published in local newspaper. *(Attach copy of published CCR or proof of publication)*

Name of Newspaper: Commercial Dispatch

Date Published: 6/29/09

CCR was posted in public places. *(Attach list of locations)*

Date Posted: / /

CCR was posted on a publicly accessible internet site at the address: www. _____

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that a consumer confidence report (CCR) has been distributed to the customers of this public water system in the form and manner identified above. I further certify that the information included in this CCR is true and correct and is consistent with the water quality monitoring data provided to the public water system officials by the Mississippi State Department of Health, Bureau of Public Water Supply.

John Lowe
Name/Title (President, Mayor, Owner, etc.)

7-3-09
Date

2008 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

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PWS#: 0440097 - June 2009

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76. Xylenes	N	2008	.002	No Range	ppm	10	10	Discharge from petroleum factories; discharge from chemical factories

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Disinfection By-Products

81. HAA5	N	2007*	.2	No Range	ppb	0	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
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**Most recent sample. No sample required for 2008.*

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South Lowndes Water Association
Post Office Box 188
Columbus, MS 39703-0188

Phone: 662-329-3929

TO: *Jessie*

From: *Frances*

RE: *CCR*

Note:

2008 CCR Contact Information

Date: 7/17/09 Time: 4:59

PWSID: 440097

System Name: S Lowndes

Lead/Copper Language

MSDH Message re: Radiological Lab

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MRDL Violation

Chlorine Residual (MRDL) RAA

Other Violation(s) _____

Will correct report & mail copy marked "corrected copy" to MSDH.

Will notify customers of availability of corrected report on next monthly bill.

Henry Mayfield Stated that Frances Fisher does
the CCR and asked me to give her a call @
662 329-3929

Spoke with Frances Fisher Secretary 7/22/09 11:20 a.m
She did not have the Green Sheet, so I mailed her a copy
of the 2008 Drinking Water Quality Report

Spoke with Henry Mayfield 662 272-5872
(Operator, Owner, Secretary)
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Frances Fisher 662 329-3929
Secretary

WILL DO CORRECTED COPY AND NOTIFY CUSTOMERS OF AVAILABLE CORRECTED REPORT ON WATER BILL OR LETTER AND SEND US A COPY.

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MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Gessie,

Here's the
copies, per your
request.

Frances

662-329-3929

July 27, 2009

JOHN LOVE
P O BOX 188
COLUMBUS, MS 39702

RE: 0440097 - SOUTH LOWNDES W/A - Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level monitoring violation

Dear Water System Official:

Since proof of reporting chlorine residuals was provided through copies of your logbook for the February 2007 period from the above reference public water supply, you may disregard our letter dated March 1, 2009, which instructed the system to give public notice for a Maximum (Chlorine) Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) monitoring violation.

If you have any questions, you may contact me at (601) 576-7518.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joan Cockrell".

Joan Cockrell, Projects Officer, IV
Compliance & Enforcement Branch

/jc

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ACCOUNT NO.	SERVICE FROM	SERVICE TO
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SERVICE ADDRESS		

RETURN THIS STUB WITH PAYMENT TO:
SOUTH LOWNDES WATER ASSN
P O BOX 188
COLUMBUS, MS 39703

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 U.S. POSTAGE
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 COLUMBUS, MS

CURRENT	METER READINGS		USED
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PAY NET AMOUNT ON OR BEFORE DUE DATE	DUE DATE	PAY GROSS AMOUNT AFTER DUE DATE
	08/10/2009	
NET AMOUNT	SAVE THIS	GROSS AMOUNT
26.51	2.65	29.16

CHARGE FOR SERVICES

WAT 26.51
 NET DUE >>> 26.51
 SAVE THIS >> 2.65
 GROSS DUE >> 29.16

****FOR CORRECTED COPY OF CCR****
****PLEASE CALL 662-329-3929***

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

02-4060600
 SAMMY SMART

 421 GODFREY RD
 CRAWFORD MS 39743-9775

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