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Dear Melody Ranch, Glory View, Sage Meadows and Teton County property owners,

We want to share the 2012 Annual Water Quality Report for the Melody Ranch culinary water system provided by the water system operator of Jorgenson Engineering. As you may know, the water system is still owned by the developer and the water system operator, who is licensed by the state, is selected and controlled by the developer. The Melody Ranch Homeowners Association (HOA) does reimburse the developer for all expenses for the system including the cost of the operator. The HOA and the Melody Ranch Improvement and Service District (ISD) are anxious to have the system transferred to us so we have full control and selection of the system operator. We had hoped that the transfer would have occurred by now and continue to press for turnover of the system.

The enclosed report was delivered to us recently and we were never notified of any testing irregularities or issues until we received this report.

Normally this report would only be posted to the HOA/ISD website with a notice to owners each year that it has been posted. The HOA and ISD are emailing the report this year, as well as posting it, as the developer controlled system operator failed to perform two federally mandated water quality tests. Both the HOA and ISD are extremely disappointed that the developer controlled operator failed to do all of the required testing.

For the tests that were performed, the water quality was considered safe. The two tests that the operator (Jorgenson Engineering) failed to perform were for possible contaminants that are by-products of the chlorination process. The Melody system has been actively chlorinating its water for several years to ensure safe water quality. When these two tests were last performed in 2011, our water was considered within safe levels at that time.

Luckily, we are likely not at high risk for these contaminants, which are more likely to be present when the source water temperature is high, such as from a reservoir during summer. Given that our system draws from cold ground water, and that when we tested in 2011 the test came up negative, we are likely not at high risk for these contaminants. But since the tests were not performed, we cannot be sure these contaminants were not present. Although we would like to have these tests performed as soon as possible, according to Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) standards, the test is not recommended until the middle of this summer when the water temperature is likely to be highest.

In the meantime, we will continue to press for turnover of the system so we can directly hire and control the operator.

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