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Bridger's HVAC & Welding, LLC Danny Bridger 58 Mathis Crossing Milan, TN 38358

Re: **PLEASE BE ADVISED** (Case # 130154)

Unlicensed Installing/Repair of Water Well Pump

50 Trenton Hwy, Milan, TN

Re: Mr. Bridger

The Division of Water Resources (Division) received notice that you are in the business of installing and/or repairing water well pumps and pumping equipment on water wells within Tennessee. Specifically, a residential well located at 50 Trenton Hwy in Milan TN.

We have reviewed the Division's records and we are unable to find a license under Bridger's HVAC & Welding or Danny Bridger. You and your company must immediately cease installing and performing maintenance on water well pumps and pumping equipment within the state of Tennessee. You may not continue this practice until you obtain the proper license(s).

## T.C.A. 69-10-102 Well Driller and Installer License Required

- (d) It is unlawful, except if it is done by a licensed individual:
  - (1) To engage in the business of installing, removing or repairing geothermal wells or water well pumps or drop lines in geothermal wells or water wells; or

## Rule 0400-45-09-.01 DEFINITIONS

"Installation of pumps" means the procedure employed in the placement and preparation for operation of pumps and pumping equipment in water wells, including all construction involved in making entrances to the well and establishing seals.

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"Pumps and pumping equipment" means any equipment or materials utilized or intended for use in withdrawing or obtaining ground water, including well seals in a water well. Closed loops or droplines installed in closed loop geothermal boreholes are not considered pumping equipment.

"Repair" means work involved in deepening, reaming, sealing, installing, or changing casing depths, perforating, screening, or cleaning, acidizing, or redevelopment of a well excavation, or any other work which results in **breaking or opening a well seal**.

"Well Seal" means an approved arrangement or device used to cap a well or to establish and maintain a junction between the casing of a well and the piping or equipment installed therein, the purpose or function of which is to prevent pollutants from entering the well at the upper terminal.

Please be advised that every person who intends to engage in the business of installing or repairing water well pumps and pumping equipment for the use in withdrawing or obtaining groundwater on water wells within the State of Tennessee must annually obtain an Installer's License from the Division.

## T.C.A. 69-10-110 Violations – Enforcement – Penalties

(d) Any person who violates or fails to comply with provisions of this chapter, any order of the commissioner issued pursuant to this chapter, or any rule, regulation, or standard adopted pursuant to this chapter shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) per day for each day of violation. Each day such violation continues is a separate violation. In addition, such person shall also be liable for any damages to the state resulting from the violation, without regard to whether any civil penalty is assessed.

For your convenience, enclosed is an application form for a license and there is also a link below to the digital application form for a license. Please submit this application either via email or to the address listed on the application if you choose to apply for licensure. If you have any questions regarding the licensure process or this correspondence, please contact Will Little at <a href="Will.N.Little@TN.gov">Will.N.Little@TN.gov</a> or (731) 202-6948, Ashby Barnes at <a href="Ashby.Barnes@tn.gov">Ashby.Barnes@tn.gov</a> or (615) 532-0176, or Richard Rogers at <a href="Richard.Rogers@tn.gov">Richard.Rogers@tn.gov</a> or (615) 218-7781

TDEC Water Well Licensure Web Page:

https://www.tn.gov/environment/permit-permits/water-permits1/well-driller-or-installer-license.html

Sincerely,

Will Lauto

Will Little, Environmental Scientist Division of Water Resources Jackson Environmental Field Office

cc: DWR - Nashville