

# STATE OF TENNESSEE **DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAND CONSERVATION DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES**

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## Re: **NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

Unlicensed Installation/Maintenance/Repair of Water Well Pump/Pumping System

To Whom it May Concern,

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Water Resources (Division) received notice that you are involved in the occupation of installing and/or maintaining water well pump and pressure systems in the State of Tennessee. Specifically, your company has performed maintenance on a water well pump at 2170 Bluebird Road in Friendship, Tennessee on June 4, 2020.

We have reviewed the Division's records and we are unable to find a licensed individual doing business as Parham Heating, Cooling, Plumbing & Electric, LLC. Your company must immediately cease installing and performing maintenance on water well pump systems within the state of Tennessee. Your company may not continue this practice until an individual in your company obtains the proper license(s).

#### T.C.A 69-10-102 WELLDRILLER and INSTALLER LICENSE REOUIRED

- (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
- (2) To engage in the business of repairing, servicing or installing filters and water treatment devices on geothermal wells or water wells.

#### 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.

"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**.

Please be advised that every person who intends to engage in the business of installing or repairing water well pumps for use in withdrawing or obtaining groundwater or engage in the business of installing water treatment devices on or in 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, you may obtain a copy of the application for licensure at the following web page: <a href="https://www.tn.gov/environment/permit-permits/water-permits1/well-driller-or-installer-license.html">https://www.tn.gov/environment/permit-permits/water-permits1/well-driller-or-installer-license.html</a>

Please submit this application either via email or to the address in the header above. If you have any questions regarding the licensure process or this correspondence, please contact Richard Rogers at Richard Rogers @TN.gov or (615) 218-7781 or Ashby Barnes at Ashby Barnes @TN.gov or (615) 532-0176

Sincerely,

Anna R. Sartors, Manager Drinking Water Unit Division of Water Resources

cc: Jackson Environmental Field Office