

## STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION Division of Water Resources

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## Re: NOTICE OF VIOLATION (Case # 130858) FOURTH NOTICE Failure to Submit Notice of Intent (NOI) Fees Failure to Submit Driller Reports

Dear Mr. Carter:

The TDEC, Division of Water Resources (Division) conducted a well completion inspection at 195 Dry Fork Rd, Brush Creek, TN, on February 27, 2024.

Ashby Barnes, an inspector from the Nashville Central Office, spoke with the well owner who stated that a well had been drilled to a depth of 300 feet but that it was a dry well. No driller report or well closure report has been received by the Division.

Upon review of Division files, we discovered that you have seven (7) Pending NOIs that are more than 60 days old, and for which the Division has not received a driller report or NOI fee payment. The outstanding NOIs have unpaid fees of \$525 and 7 driller reports associated with these pending NOIs are over 60 days past due according to the planned drill dates submitted on the NOIs. The Division contacted several of the well owners that confirmed the wells had been drilled.

Below are the NOIs that are still listed as pending, from June 19, 2023 to Present

NOI ID	Date NOI Received	Confirmed Drilled
41359	12/05/2023	Yes
40950	10/26/2023	Yes
40941	10/25/2023	Yes
40432	09/14/2023	Yes
40433	09/14/2023	No
39579	06/19/2023	Yes
39578	06/19/2023	No

A pending NOI is a NOI for which the Division has not received a corresponding Driller Report and/or NOI fee payment.

An email was sent to all the licensed drillers and pump & treatment system installers on February 8, 2023, with the subject line of *Notices of Intent - Public Data Viewer*. There were instructions on how drillers could use the data viewer to look up their NOIs. Another section of the same data viewer allows drillers to look up their wells. If you need help using that to look up wells, please contact us.

It is noted that a Compliance Review Meeting (CRM) was held with you on July 16, 2021. During the CRM, you signed a Letter of Agreement (LOA) agreeing to comply with the following: (**Enclosure 1**)

## **Division Rule 0400-45-09-.10(1) in part:**

- (b) Every well driller, within sixty (60) days after completion of a water well, shall submit a report on the construction of the well to the Department.
- (c) A Notice of Intent is required to be submitted to the Division prior to commencement of drilling a water well in Tennessee.
- (d) The \$75.00 Notice of Intent fee shall accompany the submission of the driller's report.

## **CORRECTIVE ACTION:**

You are required to submit all late NOI fees and driller reports within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt of this letter.

If there are any NOIs on the list for which you did not drill a well and do not plan to drill a well in the future, please submit a written statement with the Driller Reports listing these NOIs so that we may void them from our records. You may email this written statement.

You are required to submit all NOI fees and delinquent documents (driller reports) concerning the wells in the above table as well as any information and documents pertaining to any additional wells that your company has drilled/constructed/reworked for which the Division has no record.

Please use the enclosed blank Form CN-1029 Payment Summary form (**Enclosure 2**) when submitting your driller reports and remaining NOI payment. Please ensure that your submission is made in an orderly fashion (e.g. order by date drilled or by Driller Tag number), and include the NOI ID, so we can expedite the reconciliation of these pending records.

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If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Ashby Barnes at Ashby.Barnes@tn.gov or (615) 532-0176.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures: CRM LOA July 16, 2021 Form CN-1029 Tennessee Water Well Drillers Payment Summary