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Terri A. Lorenzon, Director  
Environmental Quality Council

BEFORE THE  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL

STATE OF WYOMING

IN THE MATTER OF THE NOTICE OF )  
VIOLATION AND ORDER ISSUED TO: )  
)  
Dave Lems )  
Snow Adventures, Inc. )  
25135 1/2 N. US Hwy 85 )  
Newcastle, WY 82701 )  
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DOCKET NUMBER 3814-05

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

AND

ORDER

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:

1. Facility number 0-005005 is located at 25135 1/2 N. US Hwy 85, Newcastle, Wyoming. There is one active underground 3,000 gallon steel storage tank on this facility containing gasoline for retail sale. On May 11, 2005, Snow Adventures, Inc. (owned by Dave Lems) was invoiced for underground storage tank fees and provided with an annual registration form filled out for the facility. On August 24, 2005 and September 27, 2005, Snow Adventures, Inc. was again invoiced for underground storage tank fees. The responsibility for underground storage tank fees rests with either the owner or the operator. Snow Adventures, Inc. is registered as both the owner and the operator. Underground storage tank fees have not been paid for fiscal year 2006. Presently Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) remains unpaid, and the fiscal year 2006 registration has not been submitted;

2. Snow Adventures, Inc. has failed to pay underground storage tank fees which are mandatory under W.S. 35-11-1425, and has failed to register the tanks as required by W.S. 35-11-1419 and Chapter 17, Section 7(b), Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations;

3. Since the underground storage tank fees have not been paid for fiscal year 2006 and those fees were due July 1, 2005, Snow Adventures, Inc./Dave Lems, is required to provide financial responsibility under Chapter 19, Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations;

4. W.S. 35-11-1419 states: "On or before July 1 of each year the owner or operator of a tank shall register the tank with the department on forms developed and furnished by the department."

W.S. 35-11-1425 states: "On or before July 1 of each year either the owner or operator of a tank shall pay a fee to the department of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per tank owned or operated, except that the owner or operator of an aboveground storage tank subject to this section that holds five thousand (5,000) gallons or less shall pay a fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per tank owned or operated. This fee shall be deposited in the corrective action account."

Chapter 17, Section 7(b) states: "On or before July 1 of each year either the owner and/or operator of an underground storage tank system shall register the system with the department on forms developed and furnished by the department. The registration form shall be submitted under oath or affirmation."

Chapter 17, Section 7(e)(iii) states: "(e) All owners and/or operators of new underground storage tank systems must certify on the notification or certification of compliance form conformance with the following requirements: (iii) Financial responsibility under Chapter 19, Water Quality Rules and Regulations, underground Storage Tank Program Financial Responsibility."

5. By failing to pay underground storage tank fees for facility 0-005005, Snow Adventures, Inc., has violated W.S. 35-11-1425. By failing to register the tanks on facility 0-005005, Snow Adventures, Inc. has violated W.S. 35-11-1419 and Chapter 17, Section 7(b), Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations. By failing to provide financial responsibility for facility 0-005005, Snow Adventures, Inc. has violated Chapter 17, Section 7(e)(iii), and Chapter 19, Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations;

6. This Notice is being sent to you pursuant to W.S. 35-11-701(c)(i), which requires that in any case of the failure to correct or remedy an alleged violation, the director of the Department of Environmental Quality shall cause a written notice to be issued and served upon the person alleged to be responsible.

ORDER

BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL-STATE OF WYOMING

WHEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT SNOW ADVENTURES, INC. SHALL:

1. Within thirty (30) days of the receipt of this notice, pay all underground storage tank fees for facility 0-005005. The underground storage tank fees for this site total Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00);
2. Within thirty (30) days of the receipt of this notice, file the registration form for the underground storage tank at facility 0-005005 as required by W.S. 35-11-1419;
3. If items 1 and 2 are complied with, this will constitute full compliance with this Administrative Order. The remaining items on this Order shall be complied with if items 1, 2 and 3 are not complied with within thirty (30) days:

OR

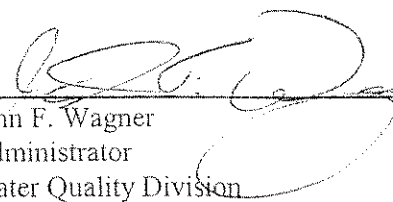
4. Within thirty (30) days of the receipt of this notice empty the tank within one inch of the bottom. The tank is presently registered with the department at that time as a "temporarily out of service" tank. Disconnect all underground piping from the tank until such time as it can be placed back in service;
5. Enter into a written agreement with the department as to when the underground storage tank fees will be paid;
6. If this tank has not been placed back in service within one (1) year of the date of this order, Snow Adventures, Inc. shall, at its own expense, remove the tank, decommission it at a licensed facility, and notify the department in advance so that a department inspector can witness the removal.

THIS ORDER is final unless, not later than ten (10) days after the date this notice is received, it is appealed by filing two written petitions for a hearing before the Environmental Quality Council. If a hearing is requested, the first petition shall be mailed to the Chairman, Wyoming Environmental Quality Council, Room 1714 Herschler Building, 1st Floor West, 122 West 25th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. The second petition shall be mailed to the Director, Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Herschler Building, 4th Floor West, 122 West 25th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Both petitions must be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested.

NOTHING IN THIS ORDER shall be interpreted to in any way limit or contravene any other remedy available under the Environmental Quality Act, nor shall this Order be interpreted as being a condition precedent to any other enforcement action.

ORDERED this 24th day of OCTOBER 2005.

  
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John V. Corra  
Director  
Department of Environmental Quality

  
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John F. Wagner  
Administrator  
Water Quality Division

PLEASE DIRECT ALL INQUIRES TO: Robert Lucht, P.E. & P.G. Storage Tank Program Principal at 122 West 25th Street, Fourth Floor, West Wing, Cheyenne, WY 82002, (307) 777-7095 or (307) 777-5973 FAX for technical matters.

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