

## ORDER OF AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER Boil Water Order

To: Village of Barons

"the Owner"

**RE:** The Drinking Water Supply located in Barons, Alberta and municipally described as:

Village of Barons Drinking Water Supply.

**WHEREAS** I, an **Executive Officer** of **Alberta Health Services**, have inspected the above noted drinking water supply pursuant to the provisions of the Public Health Act, RSA 2000, c. P-37, as amended;

**AND WHEREAS** such inspection disclosed that the following conditions exist in and about the above noted drinking water supply which are or may become injurious or dangerous to the public health or which might hinder in any manner the prevention or suppression of disease, namely:

a. A total loss of water pressure occurred in the entire drinking water system of the village on May 11, 2024. The loss of pressure lasted for more than 20 minutes while the repairs were being completed.

AND WHEREAS such inspection disclosed that the following breaches of the Public Health Act Nuisance and General Sanitation Regulation, Alberta Regulation 243/2003 exist in and about the above noted Drinking Water Supply, namely:

a. A total loss of water pressure occurred in the entire drinking water system of the village on May 11, 2024. A total loss of water pressure that makes the water supply vulnerable to contamination is a contravention of the Nuisance and General Sanitation Regulation Section 11, which states "Where a person provided a source of water that the person intends to be used or realizes or ought to realize will be used by the public for human consumption, the person shall ensure that the water is potable".

AND WHEREAS by virtue of the foregoing, the above noted Drinking Water Supply is hereby declared **unfit for human consumption**;

NOW THEREFORE, I hereby **ORDER** and **DIRECT**:

- 1. That the Owner immediately issues a Boil Water Advisory to all users of the above noted Drinking Water Supply.
- 2. That the Owner immediately undertake and diligently pursue the completion of the following work in and about the above noted drinking water supply, namely:
  - a. That the Village of Barons water distribution system is maintained pressurized after the repairs are completed.
  - b. That water pressure, chlorine and turbidity are monitored at sampling points from representative locations throughout the distribution system and are maintained at acceptable levels as required by Alberta Environment and Protected Areas.

- c. That two sets of bacteriological water samples, submitted from representative locations throughout the distribution system, are analyzed by the Provincial Laboratory of Public Health and that the results come back satisfactory.
- 3. That, until such time as the work referred to in paragraph 2 is completed to the satisfaction of the undersigned, or an executive officer of Alberta Health Services, that this order shall remain in effect.

The above conditions were noted at the time of inspection and may not necessarily reflect all deficiencies. You are advised that further work may be required to ensure full compliance with the Public Health Act and regulations, or to prevent a public health nuisance.

DATED at Medicine Hat, Alberta, May 11, 2024.

Confirmation of a verbal order issued to Jennifer Durell on May 11, 2024.

Syed Naqvi Executive Officer Alberta Health Services

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a) is directly affected by a decision of a Regional Health Authority, and

b) feels himself aggrieved by the decision

may appeal the decision by submitting a Notice of Appeal form within ten (10) days after receiving the order to:

Public Health Appeal Board c/o Central Reception Main Floor, ATB Place North Tower 10025 Jasper Avenue NW Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 1S6

Phone: 780-222-5186 Fax: 780-422-0914

Email: HealthAppealBoard@gov.ab.ca

Website: https://www.alberta.ca/public-health-appeal-board.aspx

A Notice of Appeal form may be obtained by contacting the Public Health Appeal Board or visiting their website.

## Health Legislation, Regulations and Standards

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