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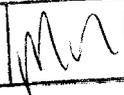
March 31, 2009

VIA HAND DELIVERY

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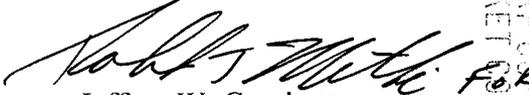
Re: *In the Matter of the Application of Johnson Utilities, L.L.C., for an Extension of its Sewer Certificate of Convenience and Necessity in Pinal County, Arizona (Docket No. WS-02987-07-0487; Decision No. 70849)*

Dear Commissioners:

On March 30, 2009, Johnson Utilities, LLC ("Johnson Utilities" or the "Company") filed a letter addressing a sewer system overflow ("SSO") that occurred on Sunday morning, February 22, 2009, in the Company's existing CC&N. On page 2, line 5 of this letter, the Company referenced as an attachment, e-mails dated March 13, 2009, from the Company to the Commissioners regarding the SSO. Inadvertently, this attachment was omitted and is included with this letter.

Very truly yours,

SNELL & WILMER


Jeffrey W. Crockett

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cc (with attachment): Janice Alward, Chief Counsel, Legal Division
Yvette B. Kinsey, Administrative Law Judge, Hearing Division
Ernest Johnson, Director, Utilities Division
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From: Brian [btompsett@qwest.net]
Sent: Friday, March 13, 2009 3:28 PM
To: Crockett, Jeff; Garry Hays; Danny Hodges
Cc: Gary Larsen
Subject: FW: Johnson Utilities
Attachments: debris and retention area.PDF; Cambria reports 2.22.09.PDF

FYI

Brian P. Tompsett, P.E.
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From: Brian [mailto:btompsett@qwest.net]
Sent: Friday, March 13, 2009 3:26 PM
To: Kristin K. Mayes (kmayes@azcc.gov); Gary Pierce (pierce-web@azcc.gov); Paul Newman (Newman-web@azcc.gov); Sandra Kennedy (Kennedy-web@azcc.gov); Bob Stump (Stump-web@azcc.gov)
Cc: Steven Olea; Vicki Wallace; Connie Walczak (cwalczak@azcc.gov); John LeSueur (jlesueur@azcc.gov); Giancarlo Estrada (gestrada@azcc.gov)
Subject: Johnson Utilities

Commissioners-

After the discussion that took place at the last Open Meeting on March 3, 2009, regarding Johnson Utilities CC&N expansion, I wanted to make you aware of a sanitary sewer overflow (SSO) that occurred in our service area on February 22, 2009. The SSO was not caused by any malfunction of equipment, lift-stations or wastewater treatment equipment. The SSO occurred within the gravity flow portion of the system within a subdivision and was caused by an accumulation of debris in two lines and manholes. The manholes were located within a subdivision immediately adjacent to retention basins. The retention basins were on the perimeter of the community located adjacent to the Links Golf Course. The subdivision is known as Cambria and is within the old AUSS service area. Photographs of the debris that was causing the blockage has been attached as well as the retention area. All of the water in the retention area was removed from the site by ADEQ approved pumper trucks. All of the photographs were taken on February 22, 2009 so please disregard the date on the photographs.

The debris caused restrictions in the gravity system which caused wastewater flow to come up through manholes. The flow was reported by a customer at approximately 9:10 AM on 2/22/09 and JU emergency crews were onsite at approximately 9:30 AM. ADEQ wastewater pumping trucks were dispatched to control the wastewater flow and clean-up began. The SSO was reported to ADEQ at 11:45 AM via email on 2/22/09. A subsequent report to ADEQ was filed with ADEQ via email on 2/25/2009. Copies of those reports have been attached for your reference.

During the entire clean-up process and subsequent disinfection of the area, the public was prevented from access to the sites by the crews onsite. There was no health or welfare threat to the public during the process. Service to the community was not discontinued at any time.

3/31/2009

The reporting and clean-up procedures were all per ADEQ protocol, and the clean-up was uneventful. Johnson Utilities has had no further communications regarding the matter with ADEQ.

If you have any questions or require further clarification please contact me directly at this address or the phone number below.

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Brian

From: Gary Larsen [glarsen@johnsonutilities.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 22, 2009 11:45 AM
To: 'Bill J. Hare'
Subject: SSO Cambria/Links

Bill

We have a backed up sewer line between the Cambria line that connects to the links. The SSO has ended up in a retention basin and is contained at this time. Clean up/SSO crews are on site at this time. This is just a heads up and I will send a full report during regular business hours.

Thank you

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Brian

From: Gary Larsen [glarsen@johnsonutilities.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 25, 2009 8:22 AM
To: 'Bill J. Hare'
Subject: Cambria SSO Report

Bill

On Sunday February 22, 2008 we received calls of a manhole overflowing in the Cambria subdivision. Upon arrival we discovered two manholes were seeping into a two different storm water retention basins. One on Calabria St and one on Geona St. We immediately checked the Cambria lift station where we found the levels to be low with very little flow coming from the adjacent subdivision. There were no issues with the lift station. At this time State approved pumper trucks were called in to stop the SSO from occurring while crews located the problem.

We found two lines were clogged with an enormous amount of grease and mop heads one located on Cassara Dr. & Geona St. and one located Between Geona St and the lift station. The pumper trucks were able to stop the SSO almost immediately and pump the system down while a hydrovac truck jetted the line's and cleared the blockage's. These locations were within the system taken over from the former Sewer Company Arizona Utility Service & Supply (AUSS). We are unaware if the system has had any previous issues as this is the first time we have experienced any issues in these locations.

Both retention areas were drained by the DEQ approved pumper trucks, removed of any debris and treated with sodium hypochlorite.

Retention #1 was estimated at approximately 1,500 gallons and Retention #2 was estimated at approximately 7,500 gallons

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