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MARLON I. BROWN, DPA
ACTING DIRECTOR

February 20, 2024

Elizabeth McCalla
4391 Onondaga Rd
Onondaga, MI 49264

RE: License #: AF330377657
Investigation #: 2024A1029025
McCalla AFC

Dear Ms. McCalla:

Attached is the Special Investigation Report for the above referenced facility. Due to the violations identified in the report, a written corrective action plan is required. The corrective action plan is due 15 days from the date of this letter and must include the following:

- How compliance with each rule will be achieved.
- Who is directly responsible for implementing the corrective action for each violation.
- Specific time frames for each violation as to when the correction will be completed or implemented.
- How continuing compliance will be maintained once compliance is achieved.
- The signature of the responsible party and a date.

If you desire technical assistance in addressing these issues, please feel free to contact me. In any event, the corrective action plan is due within 15 days. Failure to submit an acceptable corrective action plan will result in disciplinary action.

Please review the enclosed documentation for accuracy and contact me with any questions. In the event that I am not available and you need to speak to someone immediately, please contact the local office at (231) 922-5309.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jennifer Browning". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first letter of each word being capitalized and larger than the others.

Jennifer Browning, Licensing Consultant
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**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
BUREAU OF COMMUNITY AND HEALTH SYSTEMS
SPECIAL INVESTIGATION REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	AF330377657
Investigation #:	2024A1029025
Complaint Receipt Date:	01/22/2024
Investigation Initiation Date:	01/23/2024
Report Due Date:	03/22/2024
Licensee Name:	Elizabeth McCalla
Licensee Address:	4391 Onondaga Rd Onondaga, MI 49264
Licensee Telephone #:	(517) 628-8700
Name of Facility:	McCalla AFC
Facility Address:	4391 Onondaga Rd Onondaga, MI 49264
Facility Telephone #:	(517) 628-8700
Original Issuance Date:	10/21/2015
License Status:	REGULAR
Effective Date:	04/21/2022
Expiration Date:	04/20/2024
Capacity:	5
Program Type:	DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED

II. ALLEGATION(S)

	Violation Established?
During the environmental health inspection on December 19, 2023, it was discovered there was coliform in the water and the cap was detached from the wellhead at McCalla AFC.	Yes

III. METHODOLOGY

01/22/2024	Special Investigation Intake 2024A1029025
01/23/2024	APS Referral -Referral sent to Centralized Intake
01/23/2024	Special Investigation Initiated – Letter to Kim Hippensteel, EHI sanitarian Ingham County Health Department
02/01/2024	Contact - Face to Face attempted with Elizabeth McCalla but no one was home.
02/01/2024	Contact - Telephone call made to Elizabeth McCalla
02/02/2024	Inspection Completed On-site – face to face with licensee Elizabeth McCalla at McCalla AFC
02/07/2024	Contact - Document Sent - emailed Elizabeth McCalla asking if there was an update on the bacteria in her water.
02/16/2024	Contact - Telephone call made to Elizabeth McCalla, Left message.
02/20/2024	Exit conference with licensee, Elizabeth McCalla

ALLEGATION: During the environmental health inspection on December 19, 2023, it was discovered there was coliform in the water and the cap was detached from the wellhead at McCalla AFC.

INVESTIGATION:

On January 22, 2024, a complaint was entered because the water sample from the Environmental Health Inspection (EHI) completed on December 19, 2023 came back positive for coliform. On December 20, 2023 Ms. McCalla was sent a letter from Ingham County Health Department sanitarian Kim Hippensteel informing her she

needed to have her well chlorinated and have the water retested. Ms. Hippensteel instructed Ms. McCalla to have the water resampled after the water supply system was adequately flushed.

On January 22, 2024, I received an Environmental Health Inspection Report from Ingham County Health Department reporting that on December 19, 2023 an inspection was completed at McCalla AFC. The Environmental Health Inspection Report determined the facility to be in non-compliance. The section of the report titled "*Water Supply System*" included documentation the wellhead completely loose and/or unattached. The *Water Supply System Report* indicated the facility wellhead must be properly secured and the well chlorinated. The Findings/Recommendation section included documentation McCalla AFC was in noncompliance with the following statement written by sanitarian Kim Hippensteel:

"400.14401 (1) Cap completely detached from wellhead-should be screwed on tightly to prevent contamination. Bacteria coliform test positive. Cap should be properly secured, well chlorinated by licensed well driller, and the water resampled. Additional positive samples may require additional chlorination. Water should not be consumed / used for cooking or drinking until after properly securing the cap, chlorination, and a negative sample."

On January 23, 2024, I received an email from sanitarian Ms. Hippensteel stating she has not heard back from Ms. McCalla regarding the inspection results. Ms. Hippensteel stated she left a voicemail and an email but had not yet heard anything from Ms. McCalla. Ms. Hippensteel stated after the wellhead cap was secured and the well chlorinated and flushed, she would go back to the facility and schedule a repeat sample.

On February 1, 2024, I attempted to complete an unannounced on-site investigation at McCalla AFC but there was no one home. I left a business card and Ms. McCalla called later that day stating she was going to use well-safe tablets to chlorinate her well. I informed her the health department recommend having a well driller chlorinate the well but she stated she would prefer to do it herself and see if that worked first. Ms. McCalla stated after she did this, she would call the Health Department to schedule another visit. Ms. McCalla stated she has been through this before and she used Wilson Pump and Well Service so she will use them if needed.

On February 2, 2024, I interviewed Ms. McCalla at McCalla AFC. Ms. McCalla showed me the well tablets she was going to use and she thought this would work but was concerned that they have a lot of rust in their water. Ms. McCalla stated she completed this test and flushed all toilets until she smelled the chlorine. Ms. McCalla stated she had the well chlorinated in 2014 but it ruined their water softener system so she is hesitant to do this again. Ms. McCalla stated she has secured the well cover and I was able to confirm it was secured before leaving. Ms. McCalla stated there are currently three residents residing at McCalla AFC and she has been buying bottled water and boiling water for cooking.

APPLICABLE RULE	
R 400.1424	Environmental health.
	(2) All sewage shall be disposed of in a public sewer system or, in the absence thereof, in a manner approved by the health authority.
ANALYSIS:	The inspection completed on December 19, 2023 by the Ingham County Health Department determined there was coliform bacteria in the water at McCalla AFC. Consequently, the facility was determined to be in substantial non-compliance with applicable environmental health rules. As of February 16, 2024, there is still not an approved environmental health inspection showing a clean water sample.
CONCLUSION:	VIOLATION ESTABLISHED

IV. RECOMMENDATION

Upon receipt of an approved corrective action plan, I recommend no change in the license status.

Jennifer Browning

Jennifer Browning
Licensing Consultant

02/16/2024

Date

Approved By:

Dawn Timm

02/20/2024

Dawn N. Timm
Area Manager

Date