



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 10**

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WATER
DIVISION

July 14, 2023

Mr. Ron Toulou
Colville Confederated Tribes
P.O. Box 150
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**RE: Failure to Submit 2022 Consumer Confidence Reports (CCR) for
Keller, PWS ID # 105300006
Malott, PWS ID # 105300033
Nespelem Agency, PWS ID # 105300007
Omak Hud, PWS ID # 105300008
Rocky River Road Community Site, PWS ID # 105300047
Seaton Grove, PWS ID # 105300115
Twin Lakes HUD, PWS ID # 105300010**

Dear Mr. Toulou:

Colville Confederated Tribes failed to provide the 2022 Consumer Confidence Reports (CCR) to its customers and EPA by July 1st, 2023. This constitutes a violation under the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations.

In accordance with 40 CFR Subpart O, Community water systems must provide an annual water quality report to all customers served, disclosing information about the drinking water source, contaminants detected and their health effects, violations and significant deficiencies. The report covers one calendar year and must be distributed to customers by July 1st of the following year. CCR's information must be accurate and consistent with data submitted to EPA.

This letter serves as initial notification of non-compliance under the Safe Drinking Water Act for the regulation and time period cited. EPA supports compliance assistance and encourages early action to return to compliance. Issues not addressed in a timely manner may be referred to enforcement. Prior to an enforcement action for the cited violation(s), EPA Region 10 will offer government-to-government consultation, in accordance with the [EPA Policy on Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribes](#).

Please contact R10TribalDW@epa.gov with questions.

Sincerely,

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cc: Laddie Folster, IHS Spokane District Office
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