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NOTICE OF ALLEGED VIOLATION

SUBJECT: Louisa County
Waterworks: The Lion's Den
Restaurant LLC
PWSID No: 2109725

July 14, 2025

The Lion's Den Restaurant LLC
Attn: Rosolino Taormina
81 Tavern Road
Mineral, VA 23117

Re: Major Routine Monitoring Failure under RTCR

Dear Mr. Taormina

This notice is to advise that you appear to be operating a waterworks in violation of the Public Water Supplies Law, Title 32.1, Chapter 6, Article 2 of the Code of Virginia, and Section 12VAC5-590-370 A 1 of the *Virginia Waterworks Regulations* ("Regulations") for failing to collect any of the required bacteriological samples during the 2nd Quarter (April-June) of 2025. The Regulations characterize this alleged violation as a Tier 3 violation.

Section 12VAC5-590-370 A 1 states, in part, "The owner shall collect total coliform samples at specific sites and according to a schedule that is representative of water quality throughout the distribution system, which shall be documented in a written [bacteriological sample siting plan]. The [bacteriological sample siting plan] shall be established or approved by the [Virginia Department of Health]...."

According to our records, the required water sample for bacteriological examination was not collected and analyzed during the 2nd Quarter (April-June) 2025 monitoring period. One routine sample was required, and none were collected.

Required Actions

In accordance with Section 12VAC5-590-540 of the Regulations, you are required to issue a Tier 3 public notice (“Notice”) to the consumers in the area served by the waterworks in accordance with the public notification requirements described below:

Public Notice: The Notice requires you to notify consumers in the area served **within 12 months** of learning of the violation. This Notice must be handled as follows:

- **You must distribute the Notice no later than July 14, 2026.**
 - The Notice must be mailed or directly delivered to each customer receiving a bill, and to other service connections served by your waterworks.
 - If your waterworks serves consumers who do not pay water bills, or who do not have service connection addresses (apartment dwellers, university students, or nursing home patients, for example), you must also use other delivery methods to provide the Notice to these consumers as well. Examples of other methods include, but are not limited to, publication in local newspapers, delivery of multiple copies to apartment buildings, or posting the Notice in public places served by the waterworks.
 - Until the violation is resolved, you must give a copy of the Notice to all new billing units or new customers, before or at the time service begins.
 - You must repeat distribution of the Notice annually for as long as the violation persists.
- Draft Notice:** Attached is a draft Notice for you to distribute as directed above. You may use this Notice as is, or modify it to better meet your situation, as long as the information is accurate and it contains all of the required elements and mandated language. If you decide to change the Notice, we suggest that you contact this Office to verify that your proposed changes meet the requirements of the Regulations. Please insert the name, address, and phone number of a waterworks representative in the spaces provided on the draft Notice.

Public Notice Confirmation: Within ten (10) days of completing the public notification, but no later than **July 24, 2026**, you must provide this Office with a copy of the Notice that you distributed, along with a signed certification that the distribution was completed in the required time and manner. Failure to distribute the Notice and submit a signed certification form to this Office may be a further violation of the Regulations. A certification form is enclosed for your use.

Follow-Up Actions: Collect a routine biological sample during the 3rd Quarter of 2025 (July-September 2025).

Requesting an Administrative Proceeding: If you disagree with the allegations in this notice or wish to obtain a determination as to whether a violation has occurred, you may request an informal conference in accordance with Va. Code § 2.2-4019 and 12VAC5-590-115 of the Regulations. To request an informal conference, please contact the ODW Director of Compliance, Enforcement and Policy by telephone or email at 804-629-0989 or Grant.Kronenberg@vdh.virginia.gov.

Enforcement Authority: Failure to take all the necessary corrective actions in a timely manner to voluntarily return your waterworks to compliance may result in enforcement action. Enforcement actions include permit revocation, administrative orders, and civil or criminal proceedings, and civil charges or penalties of up to \$5,000 per day for each violation. Va. Code §§ 32.1-26, 32.1-27, 32.1-175.01 and 32.1-176.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact me at (804)910-6111 or email at lydia.belser@vdh.virginia.gov.

Sincerely,



Lydia Belser- Environmental Specialist, Sr.
Richmond Field Office

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Enclosures:

1. Draft Tier 3 Public Notice
2. Certification Form

cc: Louisa County Health Department-attn: Environmental Health Manager
Christian Goodwin- County Administrator Louisa County

**NOTICE TO CONSUMERS
of the The Lion's Den Restaurant LLC WATERWORKS**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Major Routine Monitoring Failure under RTCR

Our water system recently failed to comply with the requirement to collect bacteriological samples in accordance with our approved bacteriological sample siting plan (BSSP). Although this situation does not require that you take immediate action, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we did (are doing) to correct this situation.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During 2nd Quarter 2025 (April-June) we did not collect any of the required samples, and therefore we cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time.

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time. You may continue to drink the water. If a situation arises where the water is no longer safe to drink, you will be notified within 24 hours.

What is being done?

We will collect a sample during the 2025, 3rd Quarter monitoring period (July-September)

For more information, please contact Rosolino Taormina at 804-822-2567

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being sent to you by The Lions Den Restaurant LLC.
State Water System ID#:VA2109725 Date distributed: _____.

SUBJECT: Louisa County
Waterworks: The Lions Den Restaurant
PWSID No: VA2109725

VIOLATION: Major Routine Monitoring Failure under RTCR - *(2nd Quarter 2025)*

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION CERTIFICATION REPORT FORM
(Community Waterworks)

By direct (hand) delivery on _____ *(date)* at _____ a.m./p.m.

Posted on _____ *(date)* at _____ a.m./p.m.

At the following locations _____

Provided to the following broadcast media *(list: television/radio/website/social media)* on

_____ *(date)* at _____ a.m./p.m.

Other approved method _____ *(method and date)*

New billing customers will be notified of any ongoing violation for which notice has previously been issued.

I hereby certify that the attached public notice was distributed as indicated above and that the notice meets all content requirements.

_____ (Printed Name)

_____ (Signature)

RETURN FORM WITH COPY OF NOTICE TO:

ATTN: COMPLIANCE SPECIALIST
ODWFieldOffice4@vdh.virginia.gov