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El Paso County Planning Department  
Attn: Nina Ruiz  
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Re: CDPHE Comments on Security Water District PFOS/PFOA Treatment System

Dear Nina Ruiz:

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) appreciates the opportunity to comment on this proposal. Please note that the following requirements are not intended to be an exhaustive list and it is ultimately the responsibility of the applicant to comply with all applicable rules and regulations.

In Colorado, most businesses that are or will be emitting air pollutants above certain levels are required to report those emissions to the Air Pollution Control Division by completing an Air Pollutant Emissions Notice (APEN). This is a two in one form for reporting air emissions and to obtain an air permit, if a permit will be required. While only businesses that exceed the AQCC reporting thresholds are required report their emissions, all businesses - regardless of emission amount - must always comply with the Colorado AQCC regulations.

In general, an APEN is required when uncontrolled actual emissions for an emission point or group of emission points exceed the following defined emission thresholds:

Table 1 APEN Thresholds		
Pollutant Category	UNCONTROLLED ACTUAL EMISSIONS	
	Attainment Area	Non-attainment Area
Criteria Pollutant	2 tons per year	1 ton per year
Lead	100 pounds per year	100 pounds per year
Non-Criteria Pollutant	250 pounds per year	250 pounds per year

Uncontrolled actual emissions do not take into account any pollution control equipment that may exist.

If land development construction activities (earth moving) will be greater than 25 acres or more than **six months in duration**, then a land development Air Pollutant Emissions Notice (APEN) will be required.

Additional information on APENs and air permits can be found at <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/apen-and-permitting-guidance>. This site explains the process to obtain APENs and air quality permits, as well as information on calculating emissions, exemptions, and additional requirements. You may also view AQCC Regulation Number 3 at <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/aqcc-regs> for the complete regulatory language. If you have any questions regarding Colorado's APEN or air permitting requirements or are unsure whether your business operations emit air pollutants, please call the Small Business Assistance Program (SBAP) at 303- 692-3175 or 303-692-3148.

In addition to these comments regarding air quality, CDPHE's Water Quality Control Division notes that they will be reviewing this project independent of this El Paso County referral and will provide comments through that review process.

Sincerely,

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Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

