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Via Email

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Dear Dr. Char:

I am pleased to inform you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 9 (EPA) has determined that Hawaii's revisions to its Public Water System Supervision Program to obtain primacy for the federal Radionuclides Rule, set forth at 40 C.F.R. §§ 141.25, 141.266, and 141.66, is complete and final pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 142.12(d)(3). The revisions are no less stringent than the corresponding Federal regulations and meet applicable Safe Drinking Water Act primacy requirements as set forth in 40 C.F.R. § 142.12(c).

Hawaii has adopted verbatim the requirements of the federal Radionuclides Rule into the Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 11, Chapter 20, and the Hawaii Attorney General's office has certified that provisions codifying these requirements were duly adopted and are enforceable.

EPA plans to publish its determination to approve Hawaii's revisions for the Radionuclides Rule in the Federal Register and will provide interested parties with an opportunity to request a public hearing. If no credible requests are received within thirty (30) days after publication in the Federal Register, and EPA has determined that a hearing is not necessary, the determination will become effective immediately.

Congratulations to you and your staff for this notable achievement. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly, or your staff may contact our Water Division Director, Tomás Torres, at (415) 972-3337 or via email at torres.tomas@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Deborah Jordan
Acting Regional Administrator