



April 2, 2020

VIA EMAIL:

ARROWHEAD

DEER PARK

ICE MOUNTAIN

Ozarka

Poland Spring

Zephyrhills



perrier

ACQUA PANNA

S.PELLEGRINO



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RE: 1041 Permit April 21, 2020 Hearing Date

Dear Chaffee County Commissioners, Attorneys, and Planning Manager,

Nestle Waters North America Inc. (Nwana) understands through you legal counsel that the April 7, 2020 Chaffee County Board of Commissioners' meeting will include a discussion regarding the public hearing scheduled for April 21, 2020 regarding extension of Nwana's 1041 Permit.

We thought it would be helpful to lay out Nwana's preferred options in writing for your consideration on April 7, 2020. We will be happy to participate through the online platform the day of the meeting as well.

We recognize these are unprecedented times with the COVID -19 Federal, State and local declared emergencies, and with all of the disruptions to “normal” social interactions. During these times, NWNA has been designated as an Essential Strategic Business and needs predictability regarding the capacity of the Ruby Mountain spring source system in order to continue providing bottled water to the region.

NWNA requests that you consider the following at your meeting on April 7, 2020:

1. If possible, continue with the April 21, 2020 public hearing date.
 - With social distancing requirements being applied to all aspects of our daily activities, we appreciate the need to do things differently. Over the past few weeks, and in the days between now and April 21, we will all need to become more comfortable and familiar with communicating using online processes; and we recognize that this applies to public meetings as well. Most importantly, organizations like Colorado Counties Inc., Colorado Municipal League and the Colorado Attorney General have developed and are sharing best practices for meetings to conduct them in a manner that ensures the public can participate. This can be by written letter and email as has existed previously, and also via video and phone conferencing systems.
2. If the April 21, 2020 date is not possible, postpone the hearing date to the earliest available public hearing date. Resolution on this extension is needed.
3. Additionally, if the April 21, 2020 date is not possible, extend the 1041 Permit for a six month period to October 31, 2020.
 - This allows the hearing date to take place at an appropriate time with the flexibility to adjust the date if needed depending on public health, but provides predictability on the existence of the Permit for a set period during a time of economic uncertainty.
 - Please confirm this extension in written correspondence to ensure proper documentation.

Ultimately we would like to continue to work with the County to ensure a timely, open and fair public comment period that provides Nestle with operational certainty.

I am planning to participate online on April 7, 2020, but am available in advance of the meeting as well if there are questions or clarifications needed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry Lawrence". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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