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4298 Elysian Fields Avenue
New Orleans, LA 70122

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WARNING LETTER NO. 97-NOL-27

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Chris Parsonage
Marine Equipment Management Corp.
930 Roosevelt Parkway, Suite 210
Chesterfield, Missouri 63017

Dear Mr. Parsonage:

This letter is to inform you of deviations from the Interstate Conveyance Sanitation Regulations (Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1250), observed by a Food & Drug Administration (FDA) investigator, during an inspection of one of your firms, Elmwood Dockside Marine, 3800 Patterson Road, New Orleans, Louisiana, conducted on January 16, 1997.

Discrepancies noted during the inspection of this vessel watering point included the following:

- 1) check valves missing on water supply lines located in line to the following hydrants: #1, 2, 4, 5, 9, 10, and 11;
- 2) hydrants at location numbers 1-10, were not identified for their intended use;
- 3) the 2" outlet of potable water hydrant #1, which terminates approximately 6" below the topside of the pier, was not housed;
- 4) caps and keeper chains are missing at 2" and 1 1/2" outlets of #1 potable water hydrant #1.

Accordingly, we are classifying the watering point as **PROVISIONAL** for interstate carrier use for a period of thirty days. "Provisional" classification means that the watering point may continue to operate; however, significant corrections of deficiencies must be made by the expiration date. On or about that date, a reinspection of this facility will be conducted to assure that corrections meet FDA requirements.

If significant corrections are not made, the vessel watering point will be reclassified as "Not Approved" for interstate carrier use.

Please advise this office in writing, within ten (10) days, of the actions you have taken to correct the deficiencies and to assure that such violations will not recur. Your response should be directed to Carolyn S. Olsen, Compliance Officer, U.S. Food and Drug Administration, 4298 Elysian Fields Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70122-3848.

Sincerely,



acting
James E. Gamet
District Director
New Orleans District

Enclosure: FDA 483

cc: Mr. Alvin Bairnsfather, Dock Manager
Elmwood Dockside Marine Service
3800 Patterson Road
New Orleans, Louisiana 70114

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