

IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ACT - ALBERTA
ORDER OF AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER

To: Focus Hotels Limited

and

Hardy Schmidtke (Owner)

and

Victoria Nykolaychuk (General Manager)

Comfort Inn & Suites Airdrie
133 Sierra Springs Dr SE
Airdrie, Alberta T4B 3G7

Re: The **Swimming Pool at Comfort Inn & Suites Airdrie** located in Airdrie, Alberta and municipally described as:

Comfort Inn & Suites Airdrie
133 Sierra Springs Dr SE
Airdrie, Alberta

WHEREAS I, an **Executive Officer** of **Alberta Health Services**, have inspected the above noted swimming pool pursuant to the provisions of the **Public Health Act**, RSA 2000, c. P-37, as amended;

AND WHEREAS such inspection on May 11, 2010 disclosed that the following conditions exist in and about the above noted swimming pool which are or may become injurious or dangerous to the public health or which might hinder the prevention or suppression of disease, namely:

- a. No free available chlorine was detected in the swimming pool water,
- b. The flow rate gauge was not functioning properly,
- c. The flow of water through the skimmer units appeared inadequate,
- d. The filter pressure was in excess of normal operating conditions,
- e. Chemical tests of the pool water were not being checked manually on a daily basis,
- f. An alarm light on the automated chemical feed system was on, but no action was being taken by the on site staff,
- g. Water samples for bacteriological analysis have recently been only sent in every two weeks instead of weekly
- h. A skimmer weir is missing in one of the skimmer units.

ORDER OF AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Re: The Swimming Pool at Comfort Inn & Suites Airdrie located in Airdrie, Alberta and municipally described as 133 Sierra Springs DR SE, Airdrie, Alberta

AND WHEREAS such inspection disclosed that the following breaches of the Public Health Act and the Swimming Pool, Wading Pool and Water Spray Park Regulation, Alberta Regulation 293/2006 exist in and about the above noted swimming pool, namely:

- a. No free available chlorine was detected in the swimming pool water, contravening section 11(1) of AR 293/2006,
- b. The flow rate gauge was not functioning properly, contravening section 9(1) of AR 293/2006,
- c. The flow of water through the skimmer units appeared inadequate, contravening section 2 of AR 293/2006 and section III (3) of the Pool Standards, 2006,
- d. The filter pressure was in excess of normal operating conditions, contravening section 2 of AR 293/2006 and section III (2)(4) of the Pool Standards, 2006,
- e. Chemical tests of the pool water were not being checked manually on a daily basis, contravening section 14(1) of AR 293/2006,
- f. An alarm light on the automated chemical feed system was on, but no action was being taken by the on site staff, contravening section 22(c) of AR 293/2006,
- g. Water samples for bacteriological analysis have recently been only sent in every two weeks instead of weekly, contravening section 15(1) of AR 293/2006,
- h. A skimmer weir is missing in one of the skimmer units, contravening section 22(b) of AR 293/2006.

AND WHEREAS by virtue of the foregoing, the above noted premises are hereby declared to be **closed**;

NOW THEREFORE, I hereby **ORDER** and **DIRECT**:

1. That the Owner **immediately close** the above noted swimming pool and secure it from unauthorized entry.
2. That the Owner undertake and diligently pursue the completion of the following work in and about the above noted swimming pool, namely:
 - a. Raise the free chlorine concentration to at least 1.0 ppm in the pool water,
 - b. Repair or replace the flow rate gauge and ensure it is functioning,
 - c. Adjust the flow of water through the skimmer units such that at least 80 % of the flow is through the skimmers,
 - d. Backwash the filter and ensure the pressure is within normal operating conditions,
 - e. Ensure chemical tests of the pool water are checked manually on a daily basis and records are maintained regarding both manual tests and automated chemical readings,
 - f. Ensure staff are informed on steps to be taken when the alarm light on the automated chemical feed system is on,
 - g. Submit water samples for bacteriological analysis weekly,
 - h. Replace the missing skimmer weir.
3. That until such time as the work referred to in paragraph 2 is completed to the satisfaction of the undersigned, or an executive officer of Alberta Health Services, the above noted

ORDER OF AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Re: The Swimming Pool at Comfort Inn & Suites Airdrie located in Airdrie, Alberta and municipally described as 133 Sierra Springs DR SE, Airdrie, Alberta

swimming pool shall remain closed and secured from unauthorized entry.

Dated at Airdrie, Alberta, this 11th day of May, 2010.

Marc Vanhoutteghem
Executive Officer
Alberta Health Services

Section 5(2) of the Public Health Act provides that a person who is directly affected by this Order and considers himself or herself aggrieved hereby may appeal the same to the Public Health Appeal Board, 24th Floor, Telus Plaza North Tower, 10025 Jasper Avenue, Edmonton AB T5J 2N3, within ten (10) days. The terms of this Order remain in effect notwithstanding the filing or proposed filing of any such appeal.

The Owner is advised that the Public Health Act empowers Alberta Health Services to carry out the terms of this Order on the Owner's behalf and at the Owner's expense should the Owner fail to comply with the terms hereof.

Airdrie

Airdrie Public Health Centre
604 Main Street South
Airdrie, AB T4B 3K7
Phone: 403-912-8400
Fax: 403-912-8410

Banff

Banff Health Centre
303 Lynx Street
PO Box 1266
Banff, AB T1L 1B3
Phone: 403-762-2990
Fax: 403-762-5570

Calgary/Mountain View/Rocky View

Alberta Health Services, Southport
10101 Southport Rd SW
Calgary, AB T2W 3N2
Phone: 403-943-2288
Fax: 403-943-8056

Canmore

Canmore Public Health
#104, 800 Railway Avenue
Canmore, AB T1W 1P1
Phone: 403-678-5656
Fax: 403-678-5068

Claresholm

Claresholm Public Health
5221 2nd Street W
PO Box 1391
Claresholm, AB T0L 0T0
Phone: 403-625-4061
Fax: 403-625-4062

Didsbury

Didsbury Health Unit
PO Box 130
1210 -20th Avenue
Didsbury, AB T0M 0W0
Phone: 403-335-7292
Fax: 403-335-7610

Okotoks

Okotoks Public Health Centre
11 Cimarron Commons
Okotoks, AB T1S 2E9
Phone: 403-995-2600
Fax: 403-995-2639

Strathmore

Public Health Building
650 Westchester Road
Strathmore, AB T1P 1H8
Phone: 403-361-7200
Fax: 403-361-7244

www.calgaryhealthregion.ca/envhealth