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Health Officer

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Matt Fouts, Director  
Tanganyika Wildlife Park Splash Park  
1000 S. Hawkins Lane  
Goddard, Kansas 67052

Re: Voluntary Closure of Tanganyika Wildlife Park Splash Park on June 19, 2021 due to Shigellosis Outbreak

Mr. Fouts,

In response to cases of people infected with *Shigella* bacteria associated with Tanganyika Wildlife Splash Park, on June 19, the Sedgwick County Health Department performed an initial inspection of the Splash Park at 1000 S. Hawkins Lane, Goddard, Kansas 67052. On July 16, the Sedgwick County Health Department, an independent pool inspector, and CDC staff performed a follow-up inspection.

You have sent documentation of compliance by you and your staff to complete all requested items on the Tanganyika Splash Park Re-Opening Plan. After review of developed documents and procedures, testing results from an independent pool inspector, and the inspection report from an independent aquatic design company, the Health Department is satisfied that all requirements are met and that there is no risk of infection. The Tanganyika Splash Park at the Tanganyika Wildlife Park may be re-opened as of July 23, 2021.

For prevention of infection in the future, we recommend following all items of the Model Aquatic Health Code related to interactive water play aquatic venues.

Sincerely,

*Garold Minns M.D.*

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**Dr. Garold Minns, Sedgwick County Local Health Officer**

This letter was delivered to Matt Fouts, Tanganyika Director, by the undersigned on 7/23/21 by   x   personal service and   x   first class mail.

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