AN ORDINANCE GOVERNING THE CLEANING OF SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS, AND THE HAULING AND DISPOSAL OF SEWAGE WITHIN THE COUNTY OF MARIPosa, CALIFORNIA

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa, State of California, do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. REGISTRATION:

It shall be unlawful for any person to clean sewage disposal systems or to dispose of or aid in the disposal of the cleanings therefrom or for any person to engage in the business of cleaning sewage disposal systems who does not possess an unrevoked certificate of registration issued by the Health Officer. Registration shall not be granted to a person or persons who fail to operate their business from an established location. If the business address is different from that used for storing their pumping vehicles or equipment, then such additional yard address or location shall be given when applying for a certificate of registration at the Health Department. Every person shall post, in a readily visible place, in the driver's compartment of his pumping vehicle, a valid, unrevoked certificate of registration.

SECTION 2. Registration Fee:

A registration fee of fifteen dollars ($15.00) shall be collected by the Health Officer or his duly appointed representative with each application for registration for the first calendar year, and a registration renewal fee of ten dollars ($10.00) shall be collected by the Health Officer or said representative for each continuous calendar year of registration thereafter.

SECTION 3. Identification:

The following inscription shall be legibly affixed, in a conspicuous place, on both sides of the vehicle in letters at least three (3) inches high; name and address of the person, fluid capacity in gallons for the vehicle and the registration number currently assigned by the Health Department.
SECTION 4. Reporting:

Each registrant shall file, monthly, with the Health Department, on forms supplied by said Department, the name and address of the owner or tenant of each premises where a sewage disposal system has been cleaned by the registrant or his employees and in addition must include the date, the total number of gallons pumped, and the exact location of the disposal site of such cleanings.

SECTION 5. Disposal:

Prior to dumping or disposing of any sewage by a registrant on private land or at other undesignated locations, permission in writing shall be obtained and submitted to the Health Officer for approval.

SECTION 6. Equipment Standards:

(a) TANKS: All tanks used for hauling sewage shall be of metal construction, be watertight, and be fitted with watertight covers or manholes. All valves on tank shall close tightly without difficulty and shall be operated from the valve itself and not by remote control.

(b) PUMPS: All pumps shall be watertight and efficient in their operation.

(c) HOSES: Each vehicle shall be equipped with necessary hoses, both for pumping and cleaning of equipment. The pumping hose shall be fitted with a watertight connection on the pumping unit. The cleaning hose shall be long enough to adequately clean up spillage. The operator shall not use the customer's hose. All hoses shall be cleaned out into the sewage unit being cleaned and not onto the surface of the premises.

(d) GAUGES: Each vehicle shall be equipped with a reliable gauge to indicate the actual quantity of sewage in the tank, measured in gallons.

SECTION 7. Violations:

Violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance or of any order or orders of the Health Officer or his duly appointed representative made pursuant to this ordinance for the protection of human health or comfort shall constitute a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by a
fine not to exceed five hundred dollars ($500.00) for each offense or by imprisonment for not less than five (5) days nor more than six (6) months or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 8. VALIDITY:

If any portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The Board of Supervisors hereby declare that it would have passed this Ordinance and every section, sentence, clause and phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional.

SECTION 9.

This ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after its passage and adoption by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa, State of California.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of November, 1959 by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa, State of California, by the following vote:

AYES: McGregor, Ellis, McCoy, Miller, Conrad

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

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Eugene McGregor, Chairman
Board of Supervisors
County of Mariposa

ATTEST:

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Gabrielle Wilson, County Clerk
and Clerk of the Board