

January 25, 2010

Steve Parke, Director of Utilities City of Fort Smith 3900 Kelley Highway Fort Smith, AR 72904

Re: Compliance Evaluation Inspection of City of Fort Smith POTW- (Massard Plant)

AFIN: 66-00226

NPDES Permit No.: AR0021750

Dear Mr. Parke:

On December 21, 2009, I performed a routine compliance inspection of the waste water treatment facility in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Clean Water Act, the Arkansas Water and Air Pollution Control Act, and the regulations promulgated thereunder. This inspection revealed the following violations:

- 1. Facility personnel are collecting samples utilized for permit compliance at two locations. Composite and Dissolved Oxygen samples are collected directly upstream from the parshall flume and grab samples are being collected directly downstream of the UV disinfection.
- 2. Annual calibration for the thermometer utilized in the refrigerator which stores the composite samples is past due.
- 3. The name of the contract lab is not indicated on the bio-monitoring DMR's.

The above items require your immediate attention. Please submit a written response to these findings to Cindy Garner, Water Division Enforcement Branch Manager. The response should be mailed to the address below. This response should contain documentation describing the course of action taken to correct each item noted. This corrective action should be completed as soon as possible and the written response with all necessary documentation is due by February 5, 2010.

If I can be of any assistance, please contact me at 479-452-4822 ext. 11

Sincerely,

Jeff Tyler District 4 Field Inspector Water Division

cc: Water Division Enforcement Branch Water Division Permits Branch



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	1601 9th StreetExit Time/DatePermit Expiration DateBarling, AR 729231540/ December 21, 2009January 31, 2014																													
	Name(s) of On-Site Representative(s)/Title(s)/Phone and Fax Number(s)   Other Facility Data     David Shelly / Chief Operator / 479-452-2735 / cell / 479-462-6290   Other Facility Data																													
Name, Address of Responsible Official/Title/Phone and Fax Number     Steve Parke / Utilities Director / 479-784-2231 / fax / 479-784-2404     3900 Kelly Highway     Fort Smith , AR 72904     Ves No																														
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AFIN: 66-00226

Permit #: AR0021750

SECTION A: PERMIT VERIFICATION	
PERMIT SATISFACTORILY ADDRESSES OBSERVATIONS	ØS 🗆 M 🗇 U 🗆 NA 🗆 NE
DETAILS:	
1. CORRECT NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF PERMITTEE:	
2. NOTIFICATION GIVEN TO EPA/STATE OF NEW DIFFERENT OR INCREASED DISCHARGES:	DY DN ØNA DNE
3. NUMBER AND LOCATION OF DISCHARGE POINTS AS DESCRIBED IN PERMIT:	
4. ALL DISCHARGES ARE PERMITTED:	
SECTION B: RECORDKEEPING AND REPORTING EVALUATION	
RECORDS AND REPORTS MAINTAINED AS REQUIRED BY PERMIT	🗹 S 🗆 M 🗇 U 🗆 NA 🗆 NE
DETAILS: Contract lab's name is not indicated on bio-monitoring DMR's.	
1. ANALYTICAL RESULTS CONSISTENT WITH DATA REPORTED ON DMRS:	
2. SAMPLING AND ANALYSES DATA ADEQUATE AND INCLUDE:	
a. DATES AND TIME(S) OF SAMPLING:	
b. EXACT LOCATION(S) OF SAMPLING:	
c. NAME OF INDIVIDUAL PERFORMING SAMPLING:	
d. ANALYTICAL METHODS AND TECHNIQUES:	
e. RESULTS OF CALIBRATIONS:	
f. RESULTS OF ANALYSES:	
g. DATES AND TIMES OF ANALYSES:	
h. NAME OF PERSON(S) PERFORMING ANALYSES:	
3. LABORATORY EQUIPMENT CALIBRATION AND MAINTENANCE RECORDS ADEQUATE:	
4. PLANT RECORDS INCLUDE SCHEDULES, DATES OF EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR:	
5. EFFLUENT LOADINGS CALCULATED USING DAILY EFFLUENT FLOW AND DAILY ANALYTICAL DATA:	
SECTION C: OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE	
TREATMENT FACILITY PROPERLY OPERATED AND MAINTAINED	
DETAILS:	
1. TREATMENT UNITS PROPERLY OPERATED:	Øs 🗆m 🗇u 🖾na 🖾ne
2. TREATMENT UNITS PROPERLY MAINTAINED:	Øs 🗆m 🗇u 🖾na 🖾ne
3. STANDBY POWER OR OTHER EQUIVALENT PROVIDED: (Dual feed electricity)	
4. ADEQUATE ALARM SYSTEM FOR POWER OR EQUIPMENT FAILURES AVAILABLE:	Øs 🗆m 🗇u 🖾na 🖾ne
5. ALL NEEDED TREATMENT UNITS IN SERVICE:	Øs 🗅m 🗇u 🗇na 🗇ne
6. ADEQUATE NUMBER OF QUALIFIED OPERATORS PROVIDED:	Øs 🗆m 🗇u 🖾na 🖾ne
7. SPARE PARTS AND SUPPLIES INVENTORY MAINTAINED:	Øs 🗆m 🗇u 🖾na 🖾ne
8. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE MANUAL AVAILABLE:	
9. STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES AND SCHEDULES ESTABLISHED:	
10. PROCEDURES FOR EMERGENCY TREATMENT CONTROL ESTABLISHED:	
11. HAVE BYPASSES/OVERFLOWS OCCURRED AT THE PLANT OR IN THE COLLECTION SYSTEM IN THE LAST YEAR:	
12. IF SO, HAS THE REGULATORY AGENCY BEEN NOTIFIED:	
13. HAS CORRECTIVE ACTION BEEN TAKEN TO PREVENT ADDITIONAL BYPASSES/OVERFLOWS: On-going	
14. HAVE ANY HYDRAULIC OVERLOADS OCCURRED AT THE TREATMENT PLANT:	
15. IF SO, DID PERMIT VIOLATIONS OCCUR AS A RESULT:	

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SECTION D: SAMPLING	
PERMITTEE SAMPLING MEETS PERMIT REQUIREMENTS	
DETAILS: Collecting samples utilized for compliance in two locations.	
1. SAMPLES TAKEN AT SITE(S) SPECIFIED IN PERMIT:	Dy 🗹n Ona One
2. LOCATIONS ADEQUATE FOR REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLES:	Øy 🛛 n 🖓 na 🖓 ne
3. FLOW PROPORTIONED SAMPLES OBTAINED WHEN REQUIRED BY PERMIT:	Øy 🛛 n 🖓 na 🖓 ne
4. SAMPLING AND ANALYSES COMPLETED ON PARAMETERS SPECIFIED IN PERMIT:	
5. SAMPLING AND ANALYSES PERFORMED AT FREQUENCY SPECIFIED IN PERMIT:	
6. SAMPLE COLLECTION PROCEDURES ADEQUATE:	Øy 🛛n 🖓na 🖓ne
a. SAMPLES REFRIGERATED DURING COMPOSITING:	Øy 🛛 n 🗆 na 🗆 ne
b. PROPER PRESERVATION TECHNIQUES USED:	Øy 🛛n 🖓na 🖓ne
c. CONTAINERS AND SAMPLE HOLDING TIMES CONFORM TO 40 CFR 136:	
7. IF MONITORING IS PERFORMED MORE OFTEN THAN REQUIRED ARE RESULTS REPORTED ON THE DMR:	Øy 🛛 n 🖓 na 🖓 ne
SECTION E: FLOW MEASUREMENT	
PERMITTEE FLOW MEASUREMENT MEETS PERMIT REQUIREMENTS	
DETAILS:	
1. PRIMARY FLOW MEASUREMENT DEVICE PROPERLY INSTALLED AND MAINTAINED: TYPE OF DEVICE: 24" parshall	
2. FLOW MEASURED AT EACH OUTFALL AS REQUIRED:	
3. SECONDARY INSTRUMENTS (TOTALIZERS, RECORDERS, ETC.) PROPERLY OPERATED AND MAINTAINED:	
4. CALIBRATION FREQUENCY ADEQUATE: (Date of last calibration February 2009)	
5. RECORDS MAINTAINED OF CALIBRATION PROCEDURES:	
6. CALIBRATION CHECKS DONE TO ASSURE CONTINUED COMPLIANCE: once per month	
7. FLOW ENTERING DEVICE WELL DISTRIBUTED ACROSS THE CHANNEL AND FREE OF TURBULENCE:	Øy 🛛 n 🗆 na 🗆 ne
8. FLOW MEASUREMENT EQUIPMENT ADEQUATE TO HANDLE EXPECTED RANGE OF FLOW RATES:	Øy 🛛 n 🗆 na 🗆 ne
9. HEAD MEASURED AT PROPER LOCATION:	Øy 🛛 n 🗆 na 🗆 ne
SECTION F: LABORATORY	
PERMITTEE LABORATORY PROCEDURES MEET PERMIT REQUIREMENTS	
DETAILS: Annual calibration for thermometer in facility lab is past due.	
1. EPA APPROVED ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES USED (40 CFR 136.3 FOR LIQUIDS, 503.8(B) FOR SLUDGES) :	
2. IF ALTERNATIVE ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES ARE USED, PROPER APPROVAL HAS BEEN OBTAINED:	
3. SATISFACTORY CALIBRATION AND MAINTENANCE OF INSTRUMENTS AND EQUIPMENT:	
4. QUALITY CONTROL PROCEDURES ADEQUATE:	
5. DUPLICATE SAMPLES ARE ANALYZED >10% OF THE TIME:	
6. SPIKED SAMPLES ARE ANALYZED ≥10% OF THE TIME:	
7. COMMERCIAL LABORATORY USED:	
a. LAB NAME: Pace Analytical Services	
b. LAB ADDRESS: 9608 Loiret Blvd. Lenexa, KS66219	
c. PARAMETERS PERFORMED: Biomonitoring	
8. BIOMONITORING PROCEDURES ADEQUATE:	
a. PROPER ORGANISMS USED:	
b. PROPER DILUTION SERIES FOLLOWED:	
c. PROPER TEST METHODS AND DURATION:	
d. RETESTS AND/OR TRE PERFORMED AS REQUIRED:	

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SECTION G: EFFLUENT/RECEIVING WATERS OBSERVATIONS												
BASED ON	N VISUAL OBS	ERVATIONS C	DNLY			Øs □n	I 🗆 U 🗆 NA 🗆	JNE				
DETAILS:	Receiving waters	s at Arkansas Riv	er not observed.									
OUTFALL #:	OIL SHEEN	GREASE	TURBIDITY	VISIBLE FOAM	FLOATING SOLIDS	COLOR	OTHER	ł				
001	None	None	None	None	Trace	Clear						
SECTION	SECTION H: SLUDGE DISPOSAL											
SLUDGE DISPOSAL MEETS PERMIT REQUIREMENTS ØS DM DU DNA DNE												
DETAILS: Class A sludge is produced and transported to Fort Smith landfill for disposal.												
1. SLUDGE M	1. SLUDGE MANAGEMENT ADEQUATE TO MAINTAIN EFFLUENT QUALITY:   Image: Comparison of the second seco											
2. SLUDGE R	ECORDS MAINTAINED	D AS REQUIRED BY 40	) CFR 503:			⊠s		□ne				
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SECTION	SECTION I: SAMPLING INSPECTION PROCEDURES											
SAMPLE F	RESULTS WITH	HIN PERMIT R	EQUIREMENT	S		⊡s ⊡M	I 🗆 U 🗹 NA 🗆	JNE				
DETAILS:												
1. SAMPLES	OBTAINED THIS INSPE	ECTION:										
2. TYPE OF S	AMPLE: GRAB:		IETHOD: FREQUE	NCY:								
3. SAMPLES												
4. FLOW PRC	PORTIONED SAMPLE	S OBTAINED:										
5. SAMPLE O	BTAINED FROM FACIL	LITY'S SAMPLING DEV	/ICE:									
6. SAMPLE R	EPRESENTATIVE OF	VOLUME AND NATUR	E OF DISCHARGE:									
7. SAMPLE S	PLIT WITH PERMITTER	Ξ:										
8. CHAIN-OF-	CUSTODY PROCEDU	RES EMPLOYED:										
9. SAMPLES	COLLECTED IN ACCO	RDANCE WITH PERM	IT:									
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STORM W	ATER MANAG	EMENT MEET	S PERMIT RE	QUIREMENTS			<u>i 🗆 u 🗹 na C</u>	]NE				
DETAILS:	No exposure ce	ertification gran	ted by the Depa	artment. Trackii	ng No.ARR00041	3						
1. SWPPP UF	DATED AS NEEDED:	DATE OF LAST UP	DATE:					□ne				
2. SITE MAP I	NCLUDING ALL DISCH	HARGES AND SURFAC	CE WATERS:									
3. POLLUTIO	N PREVENTION TEAM	IDENTIFIED:										
4. POLLUTIO	N PREVENTION TEAM	PROPERLY TRAINED	:									
5. LIST OF PC	DTENTIAL POLLUTAN	SOURCES:										
6. LIST OF PO	DTENTIAL SOURCES A	AND PAST SPILLS AND	D LEAKS:									
7. ALL NON-S	TORM WATER DISCH	ARGES ARE AUTHOR	IZED:					□ne				
8. LIST OF ST	B. LIST OF STRUCTURAL BMPS:											
9. LIST OF NO	ON-STRUCTURAL BMF	PS:										
10. BMPS PRC	PERLY OPERATED A	ND MAINTAINED:										
11. INSPECTIO	ONS CONDUCTED AS I	REQUIRED:										

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FLOW CALCULATION SHEET												
Date: 12-21-09 Time: 1450												
Head in Inc	hes: <b>NA</b>	Feet: <b>1.20</b>										
Type & Size of Primary Flow Measurement Device: 24"parshall flume												
Type & Size of Fillinary Flow Measurement Device. 24 parsnall nume												
Name & Mo	odel of Secondary	Flow Measurement Dev	rice:   Milltroni	cs OCM III								
Date of last	Calibration of Se	condary Flow Device: Fe	bruary 2009									
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Recorded F	low at Date & Tin	ne Listed Above: 7.06		(Facility Flow Meter)								
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Calculated Value:		349			6		8		
Permit Value:	2502	502				45			

If calculated value does not equal reported value, explain: <u>Equal</u>



February 5, 2010

Ms. Cindy Garner NPDES Enforcement Section Water Division Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality 5301 Northshore Drive North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317

Certified Mail 7007 0220 0002 0382 9174

AFIN: 66-0022 Re: NPDES Permit No. AR0033278 NPDES Permit No. AR0021750 AFIN: 66-0022

Sanitary Sewer Overflow Inspection Sanitary Sewer Overflow Inspection

Dear Ms. Garner:

The following comments are in reference to ADEQ findings during the inspection of the above referenced facility on December 23, 2009.

1. Item No.1 of the inspection would seem to indicate that the City is required to maintain logs or records of pump station inspections. While the City appreciates the inspectors comment, it is clearly not an item expressly required by the permit. Constant surveillance of wastewater pumping station operation is accomplished via the wastewater SCADA system. Daily and weekly inspections are performed by the City's preventive maintenance personnel. Work orders are on file for all work performed at each station and our spare parts inventory is computerized to insure parts are available at all times when repair of station equipment is required. Finally, the inspection report indicated the Operation and Maintenance was satisfactory for the two stations visited by your inspector. As such, the City finds that Item No. 1 of the report has no merit.

2. Item No.2 of the report requires some clarification. The P Street WWTP and pump station, as well as the new Sunnymede pump station have dual electrical feeds provided by OG&E. Therefore, a power outage at these facilities is extremely remote and requires no backup generation. As part of the City's Wet Weather Treatment Plan, the remaining large pumping stations (Mill Creek, Zero Street, Station 5. Station 6, and Massard) will receive upgrades to increase pumping capacity. At that time the City will insure that a dual power feed from the electrical power company can be provided. If that option is not available, then backup generation will be considered as the preferred option to maintain operation during a power outage.

Should our SCADA system alarm indicate that a power outage occurred at our smaller pumping stations, City pumping equipment will be utilized to keep the station wet wells pumped out until power is restored. For outages of significant duration, the City has contractors available to pump the wet wells on a continuous basis until power is restored.

Should you have questions, please advise.

Sincerely

Steve Parke.

Director of Utilities

Pc: Ms. Nancy Williams, EPA Region 6 Steve Floyd, Superintendent

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North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317

CERTIFIED MAIL



June 23, 2010

Steve Parke, Director of Utilities City of Fort Smith 3900 Kelley Highway Fort Smith, AR 72904

RE: NPDES Permit No.: AR0021750 / AR0033278; AFIN: 66-00226 Response to Inspection

Dear Mr. Parke:

The Department has received your response to the December 21, 2009 inspection of the above referenced facility by our District Field Inspector, Jeff Tyler. Your letter appears to adequately address the discrepancies identified during the visit. The Department assumes the corrective actions taken will be maintained to ensure consistent compliance with the requirements of the permit. Acceptance of this response by the Department does not preclude any future enforcement action deemed necessary at this site or any other site.

The Department will keep the inspection and response on file. If future violations occur that require enforcement action, the Department will consider the inspection and response as required by the Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulation No. 7, Civil Penalties. This regulation requires the Department to consider the past history of your site and how expeditiously the violations were addressed in determining any civil penalty that may be necessary for any future violations.

If we need further information concerning this matter, we will contact you. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 501-682-0649 or you may e-mail me at <a href="mailto:sawyer@adeq.state.ar.us">sawyer@adeq.state.ar.us</a>.

Sincerely,

Sam Sawyer Enforcement Coordinator Water Division Enforcement Branch