

August 17, 2022

Honorable Jerry Martin Mayor, City of Alma 804 Fayetteville Ave, Ste B Alma, AR 72921

RE: COMPLIANCE ADVISORY

Compliance Tips for Small Wastewater Treatment Lagoon Systems

NPDES Permit Number: AR0021466, AFIN: 17-00059

Dear Mayor Martin:

In June 2022, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued a Compliance Advisory titled "Compliance Tips for Small Wastewater Treatment Lagoons with Clean Water Act Discharge Permits" for owners and operators of small wastewater treatment plants (WWTPs). It includes information to help WWTPs meet the effluent limits in their National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits.

The Compliance Advisory discusses common causes of effluent violations and recommended solutions. It also includes compliance and financial aid resources to assist small publicly and privately owned lagoon wastewater treatment plant permittees and operators in complying with their NPDES permit.

The Compliance Advisory can be accessed at https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2022-03/lagoon-complianceadvisory.pdf. For your convenience, a copy of the Advisory is included with this letter.

If you have any questions about your facility's status, please contact Tiana Toups, Enforcement Analyst at 501-682-0699, or me at 501-682-0640 or at healeyr@adeq,state.ar.us.

Best Regards,

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