

# VAN BUREN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

"Providing Water, Sewer, and Sanitation Services"

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Van Buren, Arkansas 72957

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Gary Smith, Director

September 12, 2012

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5301 Northshore Drive

North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317

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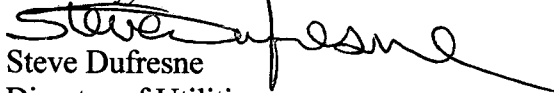
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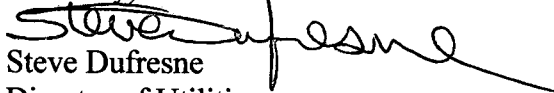
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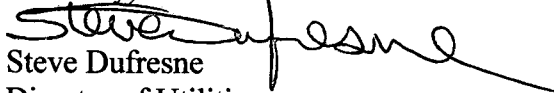
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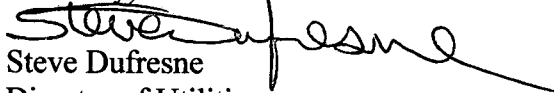
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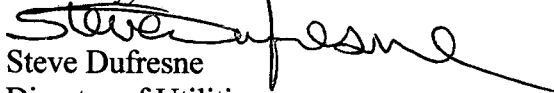
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