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May 19, 2020

Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality 5301 Northshore Drive North Little Rock, Ar.

Attn: Baily Taylor-Enforcement Analyst

Re: City of Marion NPDES Permit No.AR0021971 AFIN-00110

Dear Baily,

We have exceeded our permit limits for April on BOD monthly average and 7 day average. We attribute this violation to excessive rainfall and spring lagoon turnover. We are still working with our consultant on this issue and have achieved compliance for the last 4 months. And our numbers are coming down for the month of May. Marion has also placed an order for 2 new aerators, expecting the new ones to be more efficient and help with our BOD. We anticipate being back in compliance in May if our numbers continue to improve.

Sincerely,

Jim Shempert Marion Water and Wastewater Manager