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Enforcement Branch Arkansas Dept. of Environmental Quality 5301 Northshore Dr. North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317

RE: NPDES Permit No. AR0022063

AFIN #72-00003 Springdale, AR

September 14, 2015

Dear Sir or Madame:

Enclosed please find the results of third quarter Ceriodaphnia dubia and Pimephales promelas analyses conducted on Springdale Water Utilities' wastewater treatment facility effluent for 2015. These analyses are required by our NPDES Permit.

Please feel free to call Ms. Jennifer Enos at (479)756-3657 if you have any questions concerning these analyses.

Sincerely yours,

Heath A. Ward Executive Director

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Cc:

Jennifer Enos, SWU Mary Barnett, ADEQ

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Dear Sir or Madame:

A single grab sample was collected during the week of August 9 – 15, 2015 for fecal coliform analysis. The result of this analysis was 460 col./100 mL, slightly in excess of Springdale's WWTF 7-day average (geometric mean) limit of 400 col./100 mL.

It is believed that poorer than normal settleability resulted in slightly higher solids concentrations in the plant effluent. This allowed coliform colonies to "hide" in the remaining solids, resulting in higher counts.

Our standard protocol is to notify Operations staff of a higher than usual analytical result, review operations, make any corrections necessary to lower the value, and resample to verify that the operational changes resulted in adequately improved performance. It had been so long since values in excess of permit limitations had been observed that this notification did not occur promptly, resulting in an exceedance.

Upon notification, Operations staff started checking the total residual chlorine (TRC) just before dechlorination instead of further upstream to insure that a high enough residual remained in the process to disinfect the wastewater and lower the Fecal coliform concentration remaining in the system. This counteracted any regrowth that might have occurred due to remaining solids prior to that point.

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It is not believed that fecal coliform values remained as high later in the week. Weekly grab samples are normally collected on Tuesdays in part because that is typically the least optimal day of performance for the WWTF. Significant fluctuations between weekend and weekday loadings to the facility make it through to the plant effluent on Tuesdays and reflect the biological processes' struggle to treat higher loadings after the lull of a weekend. Samples collected the following Tuesday showed a value of 165 col./100 mL on Tuesday and 4 col./100 mL on Thursday, both well below the 7 day average limit.

In addition to operational changes, more stringent internal notification requirements have been put in place, insuring that laboratory staff flag higher than usual values promptly, and that supervisory staff review all operating data at a greater frequency. Both changes insure more timely response to any changes in plant performance.

We are confident that there was no danger to the health or environment resulting from this higher than usual level. Thus, no 24 hour report was issued.

Please feel free to call Ms. Jennifer Enos at (479)756-3657 if you have any questions concerning this report or the corrective actions taken.

Sincerely yours,

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System Overflow Report for AUGUST 2015

NO OVERFLOWS TO REPORT

This report submitted to Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality in compliance with Permit Number AR0022063 AFIN: 72-00003 Cause of overflow **Environmental Impact** Est. Vol. Remedial Action Discharge Location Duration Address Time

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CITY OF SPRINGDALE WWTF NPDES PERMIT NO. AR0022063 AFIN NO. 72-00003 BIOMONITORING REPORTING TEST DATE: <u>08/04/15</u>

I. Ceriodaphnia dubia	Response
(A) If the NOEC for survival is less than the critical dilution, enter a "1"; otherwise, enter a "0". Parameter No. TLP3B.	0
(B) Report the NOEC value for survival, Parameter No. TOP3B.	97%
(C) Report the NOEC value for reproduction, Parameter No. TPP3B.	97%
(D) If the NOEC for reproduction is less than the critical dilution, enter a "1"; otherwise, enter a "0". Parameter No. TGP3B.	0
(E) Report the higher (critical dilution or control) Coefficient of Variation, Parameter No. TQP3B.	9.36%
II. Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow)	Response
(A) If the No Observed Effect Concentration (NOEC) for survival is less than the critical dilution, enter a "1"; otherwise, enter a "0". Parameter No. TLP6C.	0
(B) Report the NOEC value for survival, Parameter No. TOP6C.	97%
(C) Report the NOEC value for growth, Parameter No. TPP6C.	97%
(D) If the No Observed Effect Concentration (NOEC) for growth is less than the critical dilution, enter a "1"; otherwise, enter a "0". Parameter No. TGP6C.	0
(E) Report the highest (critical dilution or control) Coefficient of Variation, Parameter No. TQP6C.	6.25%
22415 Retest Number 1	Leave Blank
22416 Retest Number 2	Leave Blank

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