



ARKANSAS
ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT

Facility: City of Decatur AR0022292

MEETING ATTENDANCE

Date: September 29, 2021 at 2:00pm via Zoom

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REMARKS:

AGENDA

DEQ Zoom meeting with the City of Decatur

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1. Introductions
2. Discussed effluent violations since August 2019
 - a. The City experienced electrical issues in January
 - b. The City has experienced frozen conditions in February which hindered the plant greatly
 - c. The City had bugs die off for an unknown reason in March
 - d. The City had issues with aerators in April and May – hard to get parts during this time
3. Discussed potential I/I issues
 - a. Currently in the process of design expansion plans
 - b. June 2021 reported 4.1 flow – design flow is 3.8MGD
 - c. Membrane plant is one of its kind in AR. Learning how to operate it.
4. Discussed the City being on EPA's Significant Noncompliance List for effluent violations
 - a. last effluent violation was in June 2021. No violations in July or August 2021. James Boston is confident there will not be any violations for September 2021.
5. Discussed possibility of CAP or CAO to address the violations and incorporate expansion plans