

May 15, 2018

Mr. Gavin Gray
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Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality
5301 Northshore Drive
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**Re: Progress Report No. 6
NPDES Permit No. AR0022292, AFIN 04-00052
City of Decatur, CAO LIS 16-094
MCE Project No. FY152150**

Dear Mr. Gray,

This letter serves as the sixth quarterly progress report since the referenced CAO went into effect on January 10, 2017. Following is a summary of progress made towards compliance with the final permitted effluent limits since our last progress report dated February 13, 2018.

Revised Interim Operating Plan/Corrective Action Plan

The first bimonthly progress report was submitted on April 13, 2018. The City continues to implement this plan and has seen an improvement in the effluent quality with the addition of the belt filter press and the additional staff dedicated to operating the Actiflo system. The next bimonthly progress report will be submitted by June 15, 2018 and will include an update on this plan.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

The NDPEs discharge permit modification public notice period ended on March 16, 2018. ADEQ received several comments on the proposed permit modification and is currently preparing a response to these comments.

Crossland Heavy Construction (CHC) mobilized on site and started construction of the WWTP improvements during the first week of April. The new electrical building is under construction and is scheduled to be complete by the end of May. In addition the wet well expansion is under construction and also scheduled to be complete by the end of May. McClelland Consulting Engineers (MCE) has continued to work closely with CHC and the City on processing submittals for the major equipment items to ensure

the project remains on schedule. To date, all of the major equipment items have either been released for manufacture/fabrication or are in the final approval stages. Over the next several months, CHC will be constructing improvements necessary to install the new equipment once it arrives on site.

Project Schedule

Construction of the proposed improvements remains on schedule to have the WWTP fully operational and meeting effluent limits by the final compliance deadline of December 31, 2018. An update on the construction progress will be provided in the next progress report in August 2018.

Please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,
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