

December 11, 2019

Paul Graham, General Manager Heber Springs Water and Sewer Commission 1106 West Front Heber Springs, AR 72543

RE: NPDES Permit Number: AR0022381, AFIN: 12-00029

Whole Effluent Toxicity Test Lab Error

Dear Mr. Graham:

DEQ has reevaluated the Whole Effluent Toxicity (WET) tests performed by American Interplex Corporation from September 2016 to January 2019. Upon reevaluation, the chronic WET test for *Ceriodaphnia dubia* conducted for Outfall 002 during March 2017, December 2017, and November 2018, as required by NPDES Permit No. AR0022381 did not deviate from the maximum test duration specified in EPA-821-R-02-013. These tests have been deemed valid.

DEQ will make the necessary corrections to the TX2-Q Discharge Monitoring Reports for March 31, 2017, December 31, 2017, and December 31, 2018, to reflect the original submission.

If you have questions or would like to discuss this matter further, please feel free to contact Leslie Allen-Daniel at 501-682-0630, or by e-mail at allen-daniel@adeq.state.ar.us.

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