



September 17, 2021

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Monty Ledbetter Utilities Director City of Hot Springs P.O. Box 700 Hot Springs, AR 71902

RE: NPDES Permit Number: AR0033880, AFIN: 26-00145 Hot Springs Utilities – Bacteria sampling and Communications Plan, Water Quality Assessment Plan and Revised timeline for the Gulpha Basin Improvements

Dear Mr. Ledbetter,

The Division of Environmental Quality, Office of Water Quality (DEQ) has received your letter dated August 16, 2021 in response to DEQ's letters dated July 2, 2021 and August 3, 2021 addressing the Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs) from manhole # 1750 near Gulpha Creek in Hot Springs. DEQ has completed its review of the revised Bacteria Sampling and Communications Plan and the Water Quality Assessment Plan. They adequately address the concerns requested by DEQ and no additional information is required at this time.

DEQ would like to schedule a zoom call with Hot Spring Utilities to further address the revised timeline for the Gulpha Basin Improvements.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact me to schedule the zoom call with DEQ. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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