PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED REVISIONS TO 208 Plan

This is to give notice that the Permits Branch of the Water Division of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ), 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, Arkansas 72118-5317 at telephone number (501) 682-0622, proposes revisions to the State Water Quality Management Plan (208 Plan) under the Clean Water Act (CWA) and the Arkansas Water and Air Pollution Control Act.

The 208 Plan, developed by the ADEQ under provisions of Section 208 of the federal Clean Water Act, is a comprehensive program to work toward achieving federal water goals in Arkansas. The initial 208 Plan, adopted in 1979, provides for annual updates, but can be revised more often if necessary. Updates to the 208 Plan have been proposed to revise the NH3-N monthly average limitation from 4 mg/l to 2.2 mg/l for the months of April – October based on toxicity standards in Reg. 2.512 for the following facility:

NPDES Permit No.: AR0041335

Facility Name: Jacksonville Wastewater Utility – J. Albert Johnson Regional Treatment Facility

ADEQ's contact person for submitting written comments, requesting information regarding the revisions to the 208 Plan is Shane Byrum at the above address and telephone number or by email at Water-Draft-Permit-Comment@adeq.state.ar.us.

The last day of the comment period is 30 days after the publication date. If the last day of the comment period is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the public comment period shall expire on the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday. For information regarding the actual publication date along with the actual date and time the comment period will end, please contact Shane Byrum at the above address and telephone number or by email at Water-Draft-Permit-Comment@adeq.state.ar.us. Public notice, comments, and hearings will be conducted in accordance with Regulation 6.104(A)(5) [40 CFR Parts 124.10 through 124.12 by reference] and Regulation 8.209 and 8.210 (Administrative Procedures). All persons, including the permittee, who wish to comment on ADEQ's draft 208 Plan revisions must submit written comments to ADEQ, along with their name and mailing address. A Public Hearing will be held when ADEQ finds a significant degree of public interest.
If no comments are received during the public comment period, the proposed revisions will be added to the Arkansas 208 Plan. If significant comments are received during the public comment period on the proposed revisions to the 208 Plan, that particular proposal will be withdrawn from consideration and either revised and resubmitted for public comment, or a public hearing on the proposal may be scheduled. ADEQ will notify each person who has submitted written comments. Any interested person who has submitted comments may appeal a final decision by ADEQ in accordance with the APCEC Regulation No. 8.603.