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Department of Environmental Quality

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Terry McClennahan  
WWTP Superintendent  
City of Benton  
P.O. Box 607  
Benton, Arkansas 72018-0607

Re: Response to NPDES Permit #AR0036498 "Activity 1" Requirements

Dear Mr. McClennahan:

A review of the City's NPDES Permit, Part III, Condition 7.B., "Activity 1" submittal has been completed. Based on information from that industry survey, NPDES compliance history and other criteria, development of an approvable Pretreatment Program by the City does not appear warranted at this time.

Benton's NPDES Permit, Part III, Conditions 7B, "Activities" 2 (beginning on page 2 of Part III) through "Activity 7" and 7C through 7F. (ending on page 5 of Part III, milestone schedule for the development of an approved Pretreatment Program) are hereby deleted from the Permit.

Please keep in mind future copper limits effective in June of '06. It's strongly recommended to begin and continue monitoring/documenting background (domestic) streams throughout the City, your POTW's influent, water treatment plant intake, its distribution system's "first draw" results and corrosion control program. Your copper issue does not appear to be industry related and solutions for compliance with the future limits may be found in the drinking water being served to the residents of Benton.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact this office. This notification deleting specific permit requirements should be filed with your NPDES Permit for reference.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Water Division

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cc: Joe Williford/NPDES Enforcement Branch Chief  
Allen Gilliam/NPDES State Pretreatment Coordinator  
Lee Bohme/EPA 6WQ-PO