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**Sent:** Friday, March 17, 2023 1:16 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: Jacksonville Wastewater Utilities January 2022 - December 2022 Pretreatment Program Annual Report (NPDES Permit AR0041335)

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Hello,

Thank you for the email in regards to Jacksonville Wastewater Utility's January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022 Pretreatment Program Annual Report. I would like to take the opportunity to address the missed sample and the methods we have put in place to make sure that this isn't a recurring issue.

The second quarter sample was missed due to an error on my part. When the error was discovered I made contact with the Department of Environmental Quality's Enforcement section and explained what had happened and asked how to proceed from that point. I was informed that the best option would be to still collect the remaining three samples at an equally spaced interval to try to gather data in a timeframe closest to the intent of the permit, which I did from that point. I will note that during the missed quarter we did not have any industrial permit exceedances and did perform a WET test. This data is not in any way a replacement for the missed quarter, but I do believe it shows in part that the Utility maintained the integrity of its quality of effluent and treatment capacity during the period of missing data.

To ensure that this doesn't happen again, we now have weekly internal meetings in which we discuss upcoming deadlines and timelines for completion so that no one individual is solely responsible for meeting completion and submittal dates. In addition all sampling materials are collected from the analytical lab the quarter prior to the collection date to expedite sampling during the beginning of the quarter rather than later in the quarter as we have traditionally sampled in the past. This should ensure that the sample is obtained and reported well within the quarter.

Thank you again. Please let me know if there is anything else I can provide to mitigate the effects of this incident. Jacksonville Wastewater has a long history of compliance and we take it very seriously. We are not in the habit of failing to follow our permit requirements or meet deadlines, and will ensure that it does not happen in the future.

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Hello,

Jacksonville Wastewater Utility's January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022 Pretreatment Program Annual Report (NPDES Permit AR0041335 ) was received, reviewed, and deemed complete according to the reporting requirements of 40 C.F.R. § 403.12(i).

However, it was noted in this report that both influent and effluent sampling dates took place on March 29, August 24, October 26 and December 28 during the 2022 calendar year. A fixed calendar quarter is defined by the City's NPDES Permit AR0041335 as any part of the fixed calendar quarter for a non-seasonal effluent characteristic with a measurement frequency of once/quarter. Fixed calendar quarters are: January through March, April through June, July through September, and October through December. Therefore, sampling of the influent and effluent was not conducted during the second quarter of the reporting year (April through June). This instance of noncompliance will be referred to the Enforcement Branch of the Office of Water Quality.

If you have any questions or concerns on this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you

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