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Joseph M. Hoover
Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality
Regulated Storage Tanks Division
5301 Northshore Drive
North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317

Re: Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulation 12: Storage Tanks

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Per Act 143 of 2007, I have reviewed the proposed rulemaking Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulation 12: Storage Tanks and the financial impact statement. Arkansas Code § 25-15-302(d)(1) of Act 143 requires me to determine if you have "taken sufficient measures to balance the objectives of the proposed rules with the interests of the impacted small businesses".

It is my determination that in drafting proposed rulemaking Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulation 12: Storage Tanks you have taken sufficient steps to protect the interests of the impacted small businesses.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding this matter. I can be reached at (501) 682-2559 or pbrown@arkansasedc.com

Sincerely,

Patricia Brown
Division Director
Small and Minority Business

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