

October 22, 2012

Mike Sims, Wastewater Superintendent City of DeQueen P.O. Box 730 DeQueen, AR 71832

AFIN: 67-00023

NPDES Permit No.: AR0021733

Dear Mr. Sims:

On September 25 and 26, 2012, I performed a compliance sampling inspection of the waste water treatment facility in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Clean Water Act, the Arkansas Water and Air Pollution Control Act, and the regulations promulgated thereunder. This inspection revealed the following violations:

- 1. A 24 hour average flow measurement is being used to calculate the loadings for a 6-hour composite. Instead, the average flow for the six hours that the sample is collected should be used.
- 2. The samples collected for the biomonitoring are not being flow proportioned as required.
- 3. The Fecal coliform result of 680 colonies per 100 ml exceeded the permit limits of 200 colonies per 100 ml for the monthly average concentration and 400 colonies per 100 ml for the 7 day average concentration.

Also noted but not considered permit violations, include the drum screens not in operation at the time of inspection and poor general housekeeping issues noted at the time of inspection.

The above item requires your immediate attention. Please submit a written response to this finding to the Water Division Inspection Branch, of this Department. This response should be mailed to the address below, or e-mailed to <u>Water-Inspection-report@adeq.state.ar.us</u>. This response should contain documentation describing the course of action taken to correct each item noted. This corrective action should be completed as soon as possible, and the written response with all necessary documentations (i.e. photos) is due by **November 5, 2012**.

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If I can be of any assistance, please contact me at (870) 389-6970.

Sincerely,

Shan Synch

Shan Lynch District 12 Field Inspector Water Division

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NPDES Compli									
NPDES Compliance Inspection Report         Section A: National Data System Coding									
Transaction Code         NPDES         Yr/Mo/Day         Inspector         Fac. Type									
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67 69 70 <b>3</b>	71	<b>N</b> 72	<b>N</b> 73 74 75	80					
		B: Facility							
Name and Location of Facility Inspected (For industrial use include POTW name and NPDES permit number)	s discharging to POTW	V, also	Entry Time/Date 0813 / 9-25-2012 0736 / 9-26-2012	Permit Effective Date March 1, 2008					
<u>City of DeQueen WWTP</u> at the end of South 9 <sup>th</sup> St.			Exit Time/Date	Permit Expiration Date					
			1110 / 9-25-2012 0815 / 9-26-2012	February 28, 2013					
Name(s) of On-Site Representative(s)/Title(s)/Phone and Fa Mike Sims / Wastewater Superintendent / (870) 642-523				Other Facility Data					
Name, Address of Responsible Official/Title/Phone and Fax	Number			Major mun. CSI					
Mike Sims / Wastewater Superintendent / (870) 642-523			Contacted						
PO Box 730 DeQueen, AR 71832			Yes No	PDS #068375					
(S = Satis	Section C: Areas Ev factory, M = Marginal,		uring Inspection isfactory, N = Not Evaluated)						
S Permit S Flow Measure	rement	S Op	perations & Maintenance	M Sampling					
	ring Program	N Sh	ıdge Handling/Disposal	N Pollution Prevention					
M Facility Site Review N Compliance	Schedules		etreatment	N Multimedia					
S Effluent/Receiving Waters S Laboratory	norm of Findings/Com		orm Water	U Other: CSI					
Section D: Summary of Findings/Comments (Attach additional sheets if necessary) Sec. B – A 24 hour average flow measurement is being used to calculate the loadings for a 6-hour composite. Instead, the average flow for the six hours that the sample is collected should be used. Sec. D, 3 – The samples collected for the biomonitoring are not being flow proportioned as required. Sec. I - The Fecal coliform result or 680 colonies per 100 ml exceeded the permit limits of 200 colonies per 100 ml for the monthly average concentration and 400 colonies per 100 ml for the 7 day average concentration. * The drum screens were not in operation at the time of inspection. * Poor general housekeeping issues were noted at the time of inspection.									
Name(s) and Signature(s) of Inspector(s)     Agency/Office/Telephone     Date									
Name(s) and Signature(s) of Inspector(s) Shan Lynch Shan Synch		Date							
Shan Lynch Man Signin	39-6970	October 18, 2012							
Signature of Reviewer     Agency/Office/Phone and Fax Numbers     Date									

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SECTION A: PERMIT VERIFICATION	
PERMIT SATISFACTORILY ADDRESSES OBSERVATIONS	Øs 🗆m 🗇u 🖾na 🗇ne
DETAILS:	
1. CORRECT NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF PERMITTEE:	
2. NOTIFICATION GIVEN TO EPA/STATE OF NEW DIFFERENT OR INCREASED DISCHARGES:	
3. NUMBER AND LOCATION OF DISCHARGE POINTS AS DESCRIBED IN PERMIT:	
4. ALL DISCHARGES ARE PERMITTED:	
SECTION B: RECORDKEEPING AND REPORTING EVALUATION	
RECORDS AND REPORTS MAINTAINED AS REQUIRED BY PERMIT	
DETAILS:	
1. ANALYTICAL RESULTS CONSISTENT WITH DATA REPORTED ON DMRS:	
2. SAMPLING AND ANALYSES DATA ADEQUATE AND INCLUDE:	Øs 🗆m 🗇u 🖾na 🖾ne
a. DATES AND TIME(S) OF SAMPLING:	
b. EXACT LOCATION(S) OF SAMPLING:	
c. NAME OF INDIVIDUAL PERFORMING SAMPLING:	
d. ANALYTICAL METHODS AND TECHNIQUES:	
e. RESULTS OF CALIBRATIONS:	
f. RESULTS OF ANALYSES:	
g. DATES AND TIMES OF ANALYSES:	
h. NAME OF PERSON(S) PERFORMING ANALYSES:	
3. LABORATORY EQUIPMENT CALIBRATION AND MAINTENANCE RECORDS ADEQUATE:	Øs 🗆m 🗇u 🖾na 🖾ne
4. PLANT RECORDS INCLUDE SCHEDULES, DATES OF EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR:	Øs 🗆m 🗇u 🖾na 🖾ne
5. EFFLUENT LOADINGS CALCULATED USING DAILY EFFLUENT FLOW AND DAILY ANALYTICAL DATA:	
SECTION C: OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE	
TREATMENT FACILITY PROPERLY OPERATED AND MAINTAINED	
DETAILS:	
1. TREATMENT UNITS PROPERLY OPERATED:	Øs 🗆m 🗇u 🖾na 🖾ne
2. TREATMENT UNITS PROPERLY MAINTAINED:	🗹 s 🗆 m 🗇 u 🖾 na 🖾 ne
3. STANDBY POWER OR OTHER EQUIVALENT PROVIDED:	Øs 🗆m 🗇u 🖾na 🖾ne
4. ADEQUATE ALARM SYSTEM FOR POWER OR EQUIPMENT FAILURES AVAILABLE:	Øs 🗆m 🗇u 🖾na 🖾ne
5. ALL NEEDED TREATMENT UNITS IN SERVICE:	Øs 🗆m 🗇u 🖾na 🖾ne
6. ADEQUATE NUMBER OF QUALIFIED OPERATORS PROVIDED:	Øs 🗆m 🗇u 🖾na 🖾ne
7. SPARE PARTS AND SUPPLIES INVENTORY MAINTAINED:	OS OM OU ØNA ONE
8. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE MANUAL AVAILABLE:	
9. STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES AND SCHEDULES ESTABLISHED:	
10. PROCEDURES FOR EMERGENCY TREATMENT CONTROL ESTABLISHED:	
11. HAVE BYPASSES/OVERFLOWS OCCURRED AT THE PLANT OR IN THE COLLECTION SYSTEM IN THE LAST YEAR:	
12. IF SO, HAS THE REGULATORY AGENCY BEEN NOTIFIED:	
13. HAS CORRECTIVE ACTION BEEN TAKEN TO PREVENT ADDITIONAL BYPASSES/OVERFLOWS:	
14. HAVE ANY HYDRAULIC OVERLOADS OCCURRED AT THE TREATMENT PLANT:	
15. IF SO, DID PERMIT VIOLATIONS OCCUR AS A RESULT:	DY ØN DNA DNE DY DN ØNA DNE

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SECTION D: SAMPLING	
PERMITTEE SAMPLING MEETS PERMIT REQUIREMENTS	□s Øm □u □na □ne
DETAILS:	
1. SAMPLES TAKEN AT SITE(S) SPECIFIED IN PERMIT:	
2. LOCATIONS ADEQUATE FOR REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLES:	Øy 🛛 n 🖓 na 🖓 ne
3. FLOW PROPORTIONED SAMPLES OBTAINED WHEN REQUIRED BY PERMIT:	Dy 🗹n 🗆na 🗆ne
4. SAMPLING AND ANALYSES COMPLETED ON PARAMETERS SPECIFIED IN PERMIT:	
5. SAMPLING AND ANALYSES PERFORMED AT FREQUENCY SPECIFIED IN PERMIT:	
6. SAMPLE COLLECTION PROCEDURES ADEQUATE:	
a. SAMPLES REFRIGERATED DURING COMPOSITING:	
b. PROPER PRESERVATION TECHNIQUES USED:	
c. CONTAINERS AND SAMPLE HOLDING TIMES CONFORM TO 40 CFR 136:	
7. IF MONITORING IS PERFORMED MORE OFTEN THAN REQUIRED ARE RESULTS REPORTED ON THE DMR:	
SECTION E: FLOW MEASUREMENT	
PERMITTEE FLOW MEASUREMENT MEETS PERMIT REQUIREMENTS	Øs 🗆 m 🗇 u 🖾 na 🗇 ne
DETAILS:	
1. PRIMARY FLOW MEASUREMENT DEVICE PROPERLY INSTALLED AND MAINTAINED: TYPE OF DEVICE: parshall flume	
2. FLOW MEASURED AT EACH OUTFALL AS REQUIRED:	
3. SECONDARY INSTRUMENTS (TOTALIZERS, RECORDERS, ETC.) PROPERLY OPERATED AND MAINTAINED:	
4. CALIBRATION FREQUENCY ADEQUATE:	
5. RECORDS MAINTAINED OF CALIBRATION PROCEDURES:	
6. CALIBRATION CHECKS DONE TO ASSURE CONTINUED COMPLIANCE:	
7. FLOW ENTERING DEVICE WELL DISTRIBUTED ACROSS THE CHANNEL AND FREE OF TURBULENCE:	
8. FLOW MEASUREMENT EQUIPMENT ADEQUATE TO HANDLE EXPECTED RANGE OF FLOW RATES:	
9. HEAD MEASURED AT PROPER LOCATION:	Øy 🛛 n 🖾 na 🖾 ne
SECTION F: LABORATORY	
PERMITTEE LABORATORY PROCEDURES MEET PERMIT REQUIREMENTS	⊠s ⊡m ⊡u ⊡na ⊡ne
DETAILS:	
1. EPA APPROVED ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES USED (40 CFR 136.3 FOR LIQUIDS, 503.8(B) FOR SLUDGES) :	
2. IF ALTERNATIVE ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES ARE USED, PROPER APPROVAL HAS BEEN OBTAINED:	
3. SATISFACTORY CALIBRATION AND MAINTENANCE OF INSTRUMENTS AND EQUIPMENT:	
4. QUALITY CONTROL PROCEDURES ADEQUATE:	
5. DUPLICATE SAMPLES ARE ANALYZED ≥10% OF THE TIME:	
6. SPIKED SAMPLES ARE ANALYZED ≥10% OF THE TIME:	
7. COMMERCIAL LABORATORY USED:	
a. LAB NAME: Arkansas Analytical, Inc.	
b. LAB ADDRESS: <u>11701 I-30; Building 1, Ste. 115; Little Rock, AR_72209</u> c. PARAMETERS PERFORMED: NH3-N, Total Phosphorus, biomonitoring	
8. BIOMONITORING PROCEDURES ADEQUATE: a. PROPER ORGANISMS USED:	
b. PROPER DILUTION SERIES FOLLOWED:	
c. PROPER TEST METHODS AND DURATION: d. RETESTS AND/OR TRE PERFORMED AS REQUIRED:	

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SECTION G: EFFLUENT/RECEIVING WATERS OBSERVATIONS											
BASED ON VISUAL OBSERVATIONS ONLY											
DETAILS:											
OUTFALL #:	OIL SHEEN	GREASE	TURBIDITY	VISIBLE FOAM	FLOATING SOLIDS	COLOR	OTHER				
001	none	none	none	none none		clear	NA				
SECTION H: SLUDGE DISPOSAL											
SLUDGE	DISPOSAL MEI	ETS PERMIT F	REQUIREMEN	ГS			U 🗹 NA 🗆 NE				
DETAILS					•						
1. SLUDGE	MANAGEMENT ADEQU	ATE TO MAINTAIN EF	FLUENT QUALITY:			⊡s ⊡m					
2. SLUDGE	RECORDS MAINTAINE	D AS REQUIRED BY 40	0 CFR 503:			⊡s ⊡m					
3. FOR LAN	D APPLIED SLUDGE, T	YPE OF LAND APPLIEI	D TO: (E.G., FOREST,	AGRICULTURAL, PUE	BLIC CONTACT SITE):						
SECTIO	I: SAMPLIN	<b>G INSPECTIO</b>	ON PROCEDI	JRES							
SAMPLE	RESULTS WITH	HIN PERMIT R	EQUIREMENT	S		□s □m Ø					
DETAILS											
1. SAMPLES	OBTAINED THIS INSP	ECTION:				₽Y					
2. TYPE OF	SAMPLE: 🗹 GRAB:		METHOD: FREQUE	NCY:							
	PRESERVED:					₽Y					
4. FLOW PF	OPORTIONED SAMPLE	S OBTAINED:				₽Y					
5. SAMPLE											
6. SAMPLE	REPRESENTATIVE OF	VOLUME AND NATUR	E OF DISCHARGE:			₽Y					
7. SAMPLE	SPLIT WITH PERMITTE	E:				₽Y					
8. CHAIN-O	-CUSTODY PROCEDU	RES EMPLOYED:				₽Y					
9. SAMPLES	COLLECTED IN ACCO	RDANCE WITH PERM	IT:			₽Y	🗹 Y 🗆 N 🗆 NA 🗆 NE				
SECTIO	J: STORM W	<b>WATER POLL</b>	UTION PRE	<b>ENTION PL</b>	AN						
STORM V	VATER MANAG	EMENT MEET	S PERMIT RE	QUIREMENTS	6		U 🗹 NA 🗆 NE				
DETAILS					·						
1. SWPPP L	PDATED AS NEEDED:	DATE OF LAST UP	DATE:			ΠY	□n Øna □ne				
2. SITE MAR	INCLUDING ALL DISCH	HARGES AND SURFA	CE WATERS:			ΠY	□n Øna □ne				
3. POLLUTION PREVENTION TEAM IDENTIFIED:											
4. POLLUTION PREVENTION TEAM PROPERLY TRAINED:							□n Øna □ne				
5. LIST OF POTENTIAL POLLUTANT SOURCES:											
6. LIST OF F	6. LIST OF POTENTIAL SOURCES AND PAST SPILLS AND LEAKS:										
7. ALL NON	7. ALL NON-STORM WATER DISCHARGES ARE AUTHORIZED:										
8. LIST OF STRUCTURAL BMPS:							□n Øna □ne				
9. LIST OF N	ION-STRUCTURAL BMF	PS:				ΠY	□n Øna □ne				
10. BMPS PR	OPERLY OPERATED A	ND MAINTAINED:				ΠY	□n Øna □ne				
11. INSPECT	ONS CONDUCTED AS	REQUIRED:				ΠY	□n Øna □ne				

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FLOW CALCULATION SHEET								
Date: 9-25-2012 Time: 0950								
Date: 9-2	<b>.5-2012</b>	inie. <b>0950</b>						
Head in Inc	hes: <b>10.875</b>	Feet: .9	06					
Type & Size	e of Primary Flow	Measuremen	t Device: 1	2" parshall	flume			
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Name & Mo	odel of Secondary	Flow Measu	rement Dev	ice:   Endres	ss & Hauser			
Date of last	Calibration of Sec	condary Flow	Device: N	ovember 5.	2011			
			2011001 11					
Recorded F	Flow at Date & Tim	ne Listed Abo	ve: <b>2.307</b>	mgd	(Facility Flow Meter)			
	Flow at Date & Tir			9 mgd				
(Flow is calculat	ted using flow charts in: I	SCO Open Chanr	el Flow Measure	ement Handbook-	5 <sup>°°</sup> Edition)			
	Recorded Value	- Calcula	ated Value					
% Error =		ulated Value		X 100				
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% Error =	2.307	- 2	.239	X 100				
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% Error =	0.068	X 100						
	2.239							
% Error =	0.0303	X 100						
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% Error =	3.03	%						
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Comments	•							

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DMR Calculation Check										
<b>Reporting Period:</b>	From _	12	07	01	То	12	07	31		
		Year	Month	Day		Year	Month	Day		
Parameter Checked:	<u> </u>	BOD	_							
		oading Mass					itration			
		vg lbs	/day	Mo. A	vg	mg/l	nthly 7-day Avg	g mg/l		
<b>Reported Value:</b>	49.7		3.1		5.0					
Calculated Value:	49.7		3.1			5.0				
Permit Value:	266.9			8.0		12.0				

If calculated value does not equal reported value, explain: <u>same</u>

Effluent Characteristics	Monthly Ave. – mass	Monthly Ave. – mass limit	Monthly Ave concentration	Monthly Ave. – concentration limit	7 day Ave concentration	7 day Ave. – concentration limit
CBOD	98.78 lbs/day	266.9	5.82 mg/l	8.0	5.82 mg/l	12.0
TSS	144.26 lbs/day	500.4	8.5 mg/l	15.0	8.5 mg/l	22.5
NH3-N	12.07 lbs/day	66.7	0.711 mg/l	2.0	0.711 mg/l	3.0
T. Phosphorus	7.72 lbs/day	33.4	0.417 mg/l	1.0	0.417 mg/l	2.0
NO3-N	23.13 lbs/day	333.6	1.25 mg/l	10.0	1.25 mg/l	15.0
Fecal coliform	NA	NA	680 col/100 ml	200	680 col/100 ml	400

## **CSI Sampling Results**

TRC 0.03 pH 6.52 DO 7.04 24 hr. flow 2.035 mgd Grab flow 2.219 mgd

\* The Fecal coliform result of 680 colonies per 100 ml exceeded the permit limits of 200 colonies per 100 ml for the monthly average concentration and 400 colonies per 100 ml for the 7 day average concentration.

Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality 5301 Northshore Drive North Little Rock, AR 72118

OCTOBER 30, 2012

## WATER DIVISION Inspection Branch

RE: City of De Queen Wastewater Plant, NPDES Permit AR0021733 AFIN 67-00023, Inspection Response letter.

Michael Sims City of De Queen Wastewater Superintendent PO Box 730 De Queen AR 71832



DONNA J. JONES CITY CLERK/TREASURER

## BILLY RAY McKELVY MAYOR

**CITY OF DE QUEEN** (870) 584-3445

October 30, 2012

## ADEQ

Water Division Inspection Branch

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NPDES Permit No.: AR0021733

Dear Sirs;

On September 25 and 26, 2012 an inspection by your department was done at the De Queen wastewater plant. The three violations have been corrected as follows.

- The formula used for mass loading has been changed to reflect a 6-hr average flow not a 24-hr flow.
- 2. The biomonitoring samples will be flow proportioned as required.
- 3. The chlorine dosage for the sampling day was found to be low, it has since been adjusted up. The average fecal coliform for September was 8/100 and the weekly maximum was 24/100.

Also the new drum screen pump was put on line October 24, 2012 and general housekeeping around the plant has been emphasized to the operators.

If you have any questions please contact me at (870) 642-5231 or msims@cityofdequeen.com

Sincerely,

Michael Sims City of De Queen Wastewater Manager



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November 14, 2012

Mike Sims, Wastewater Superintendent City of DeQueen P.O. Box 730 DeQueen, AR 71832

RE: Inspection Response AFIN: 67-00023, NPDES Permit No.: AR0021733

Dear Mr. Sims:

I have reviewed the response pertaining to my September 25 and 26, 2012 inspections of the City of DeQueen wastewater treatment facility. The information provided sufficiently addresses the violations referenced in my inspection report. At this time the Department has no further comment concerning this particular inspection. Acceptance of this response by the Department does not preclude any future enforcement action deemed necessary at this site or any other site.

If we need further information concerning this matter, we will contact you. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 870 389-6970 or you may e-mail me at <u>lynch@adeq.state.ar.us</u>.

Sincerely,

Shan Lynch

Shan Lynch District Field Inspector Water Division

cc: Water Division Enforcement Branch Water Division Permits Branch