

# ADEQ

ARKANSAS  
Department of Environmental Quality

June 6, 2016

Gary Crocker, Mayor  
City of Pocahontas  
207 Highway 67 South  
Pocahontas, AR 72455

RE: City of Pocahontas Inspection  
AFIN: 61-00055 Permit No.: AR0034835

Dear Mayor Crocker:

On May 11, 2016, I performed a Reconnaissance Inspection of the above referenced 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. A copy of the inspection report is enclosed for your records.


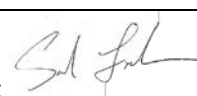

**Please refer to the “Summary of Findings” section of the attached inspection report and provide a written response for each violation that was noted.** This response should be mailed to the attention of the Water Division Inspection Branch at the address at the bottom of this letter or e-mailed to [Water-Inspection-Report@adeq.state.ar.us](mailto:Water-Inspection-Report@adeq.state.ar.us). 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 documentation (i.e. photos) is due by **June 16, 2016**.

If I can be of any assistance, please contact me at 870-935-7221 ext.-15 or [frasher@adeq.state.ar.us](mailto:frasher@adeq.state.ar.us).

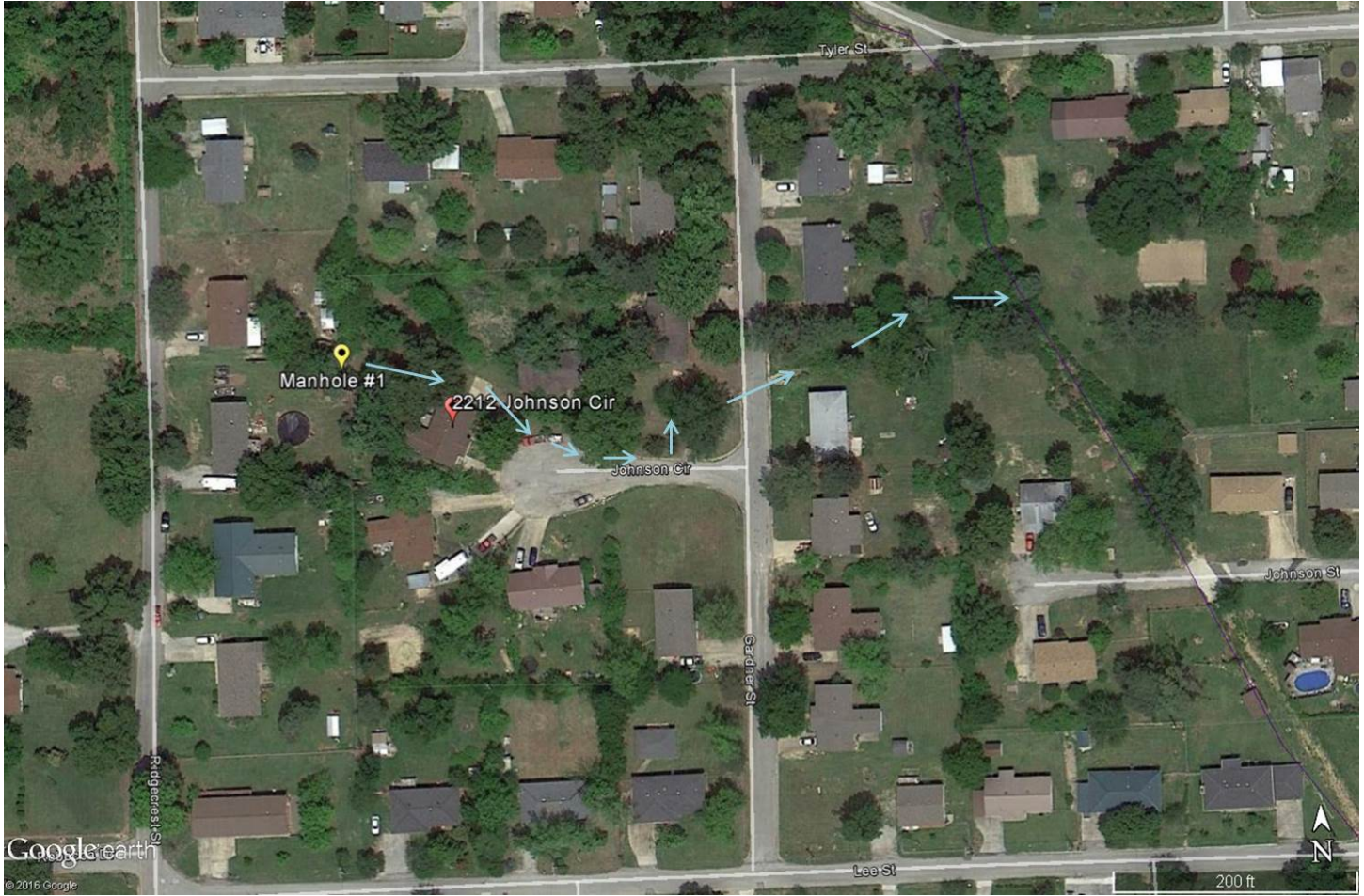
Sincerely,





Sarah Frasher  
District 3 Field Inspector  
Water Division

 <p><b>A R K A N S A S</b> Department of Environmental Quality</p>	<b>WATER DIVISION INSPECTION REPORT</b>				
	AFIN: 61-00055	PERMIT #: AR0034835	DATE: 5/11/2016		
	COUNTY: 61 Randolph	PDS #: 091095	MEDIA: WN		
	GPS LAT: 36.240997 LONG: -90.979810 LOCATION: Entrance				
<b>FACILITY INFORMATION</b>		<b>INSPECTION INFORMATION</b>			
NAME: <b>City of Pocahontas</b> LOCATION: <b>0.6 miles southwest of Swan Cove</b> CITY: <b>Pocahontas</b>		FACILITY TYPE: <b>1 - Municipal</b> INSPECTOR ID#: <b>112347 S - State</b> FACILITY EVALUATION RATING: <b>N</b> INSPECTION TYPE: <b>Reconnaissance</b>			
<b>RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL</b>		DATE(S): <b>5/11/2016</b> ENTRY TIME: <b>10:57</b> EXIT TIME: <b>12:08</b> PERMIT EFFECTIVE DATE: <b>3/1/2014</b> PERMIT EXPIRATION DATE: <b>2/28/2019</b>			
NAME / TITLE: <b>Gary Crocker / Mayor</b> COMPANY: <b>City of Pocahontas</b> MAILING ADDRESS: <b>207 Highway 67 South</b> CITY, STATE, ZIP: <b>Pocahontas, AR 72455</b> PHONE & EXT. / FAX: <b>/</b> EMAIL:		<b>INSPECTION PARTICIPANTS</b>			
CONTACTED DURING INSPECTION: <b>No</b>		NAME/TITLE/PHONE/FAX/EMAIL/ETC.: <b>Bill Daniels/Wastewater Operator/contacted via telephone only on 5/9/2016 and 5/16/2016</b>			
<b>AREA EVALUATIONS</b> <small>(S=Satisfactory, M=Marginal, U=Unsatisfactory, N=Not Applicable/Evaluated)</small>					
<b>N</b>	PERMIT	<b>N</b>	FLOW MEASUREMENT	<b>N</b>	STORMWATER
<b>N</b>	RECORDS/REPORTS	<b>N</b>	LABORATORY	<b>N</b>	FACILITY SITE REVIEW
<b>U</b>	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE	<b>N</b>	EFFLUENT/RECEIVING WATER	<b>N</b>	SELF-MONITORING PROGRAM
<b>N</b>	SAMPLING	<b>N</b>	SLUDGE HANDLING/DISPOSAL	<b>N</b>	PRETREATMENT
<b>N</b>	OTHER:				
<b>SUMMARY OF FINDINGS</b>					
<p>The following violations were noted at the time of the inspection:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There was evidence of a recurring overflow at the residence of 2212 Johnson Circle in Pocahontas, AR. A path of water was observed in the pine straw traced to Manhole#1 (Photos 1-2). The recurring overflow is considered a Sanitary Sewer Overflow and must be reported. This violates Part II Section 5.b and c of the permit. Individual SSOs must be reported within 24 hours of occurrence. A follow-up report is also due within 5 days of the incident with detailed information.</li> </ol>					
<b>GENERAL COMMENTS</b>					
A Compliance Evaluation Inspection and SSO/Collection System Inspection will be conducted in the near future for the City of Pocahontas.					
INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:  <b>Sarah Frasher</b>				DATE: <b>6/2/2016</b>	
SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE:  <b>Jason Bolenbaugh</b>				DATE: <b>6/3/2016</b>	

Google Map of 2212 Johnson Circle displaying the flow of water indicated by arrows from Manhole #1 thence through the property thence to Johnson Circle thence to ditch under Gardner Street thence to unnamed ditch thence to the Black River.





Water Division Photographic Evidence Sheet			
Location:	City of Pocahontas		
Photographer:	Sarah Frasher	Date:	5/11/2016
Witness:	None	Time:	11:33
		Photo #:	1
Description:	Manhole #1 located behind 2212 Johnson Circle. Not path of water flow in pine straw.		
			
Photographer:	Sarah Frasher	Date:	5/11/2016
Witness:	None	Time:	11:05
		Photo #:	2
Description:	Water path indicated in pine straw that flow under fence to 2212 Johnson Circle.		
			

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**CERTIFIED MAIL: 91 7199 9991 7035 3561 8206**

July 5, 2016

Gary Crocker, Mayor  
City of Pocahontas  
207 Highway 67 South  
Pocahontas, AR 72455

Re: City of Pocahontas- Failure to Respond to Inspection  
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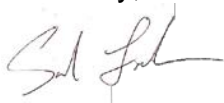
Dear Mayor Crocker:

A letter dated June 6, 2016 was sent by ADEQ. The letter outlined the findings of my Reconnaissance Inspection of the above referenced facility. The letter requested that a written response be submitted to the Water Division Inspection Branch of this Department by June 16, 2016. To date, no response has been received.

Please submit a written response by **July 18, 2016**. A copy of the inspection report has been included for your convenience.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 870-935-7221 ext. -15 or you may e-mail me at [frasher@adeq.state.ar.us](mailto:frasher@adeq.state.ar.us).

Sincerely,



Sarah Frasher  
District 3 Water Inspector  
Water Division

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**CERTIFIED MAIL: 91 7199 9991 7035 3561 8275**

August 15, 2016

Gary Crocker, Mayor  
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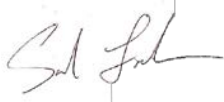
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Please submit a written response by **August 29, 2016**. If a response has not been received by this date then this case will be referred to the Water Division Enforcement Branch for further review. A copy of the inspection report has been included for your convenience.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 870-935-7221 ext. -15 or you may e-mail me at [frasher@adeq.state.ar.us](mailto:frasher@adeq.state.ar.us).

Sincerely,



Sarah Frasher  
District 3 Water Inspector  
Water Division

**From:** [Frasher, Sarah](#)  
**To:** [McConnell, Melissa](#)  
**Subject:** FW: INSPECTION REPORT  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 23, 2016 7:44:14 AM  
**Attachments:** [ADEQ 8-19-2016.doc](#)

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Response from Pocahontas. I will prepare an Adequate letter soon.

**Sarah Frasher**

District 3 Field Inspector  
Water Division - Jonesboro Field Office  
Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality  
870-935-7221 ext.-15  
[frasher@adeq.state.ar.us](mailto:frasher@adeq.state.ar.us)

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**From:** Bill Daniel [mailto:billgdaniel@outlook.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 19, 2016 10:38 AM  
**To:** Frasher, Sarah  
**Subject:** INSPECTION REPORT

DEAR SARAH,

ATTACHED IS THE REPORT ON JOHNSON CIRCLE. AT POCAHONTAS. ALSO ONE IN THE MAIL

BILL DANIEL  
POCAHONTAS WERE & SEWER



**POCAHONTAS WATER & SEWER SYSTEMS**  
**207 HIWAY 67 SOUTH**  
**POCAHONTAS, AR. 72455**  
870-892-3222 FAX. 870-892-3068

08/1/2019

SARAH FRASHER  
DISTRICT 3 WATER INSPECTOR  
WATER DIVISION

DEAR MS. SARAH:

I HAD MISPLACED YOUR LETTER AS OF JUNE 6, 2016.

ABOUT THE SEWER PROGRAM AT 2212 JONSON CIRCLE HERE IN POCAHONTAS. ON JULY 20 2016, THE CREW WENT TO THE ADDRESS, THE PROBLEM WAS COMING FROM THE LINE ON 900 RIDGECREST. THE CREW CHECKED THE SINE IT DID NOT APPEAR TO BE RUNNING. THEY RAN THE LINE WITH THE SEWER MACHINE. THAN THEY RAN THE LINE WITH A CAMERA FOUND ROOTS IN THE LINE JUST OUTSIDE OF MANHOLE #1. ABOUT FOUR (4) FOOT DOWN STREAM IN THE LINE.

A ONE CALL WAS MADE. THE CREW THAN REPLACED ABOUT (20) FT. OF THE 4" LINE.

SORRY IT HAS TAKEN SO LONG, BUT I THINK WE HAVE IT TAKEN CARE OF.

WILLIAM G. DANIEL  
POCAHONTAS WATER & SEWER



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August 29, 2016

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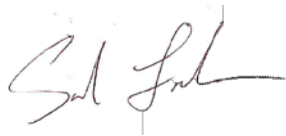
RE: City of Pocahontas Reconnaissance Inspection Response  
Permit No.: AR0034835      AFIN: 61-00055

Dear Mayor Crocker:

I have reviewed the response pertaining to my May 11, 2016 inspection of the City of Pocahontas. 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 870-935-7221 ext.-15 or you may e-mail me at [frasher@adeq.state.ar.us](mailto:frasher@adeq.state.ar.us).

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