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Re: CAO-LIS-08-083
AFIN 32-00044

Dear Ms. Trotta:

The City of Batesville offers the following annual summary generally in the form of our January 2015 letter of annual report. The following report is submitted with reference to the Main Pump Station Construction in our Amended Milestone Schedule.

MAIN PUMP STATION CONSTRUCTION

The contractor for Contract Section 2, which includes the wastewater treatment plant construction, continues to work on the completion of the main pump station construction. The contractor has had complete control of the plant site, which includes the construction of the main pump station, since September 2012. The contractor has declared substantial completion for the total contract as of October 2, 2015, however there are significant items of work that need to be completed before the main pump station can be placed into service. As late as October 29, 2015 work still remains to be completed before the pump station can be placed into operation. A photograph of the pump station in its present state of completion is attached as Attachment Number 1. The main pump station cannot be totally placed into service until the completion of the wastewater treatment plant on the east end of the wastewater treatment plant complex. A photo of the east treatment complex is shown on Attachment 2.

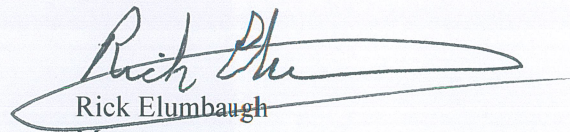
The construction of the main pump station is a part of Schedule A of the contractor's required items of work. The balance of the contractor's work is the completion of new wastewater treatment facilities at the east treatment complex and is set out in Schedule B of the contractor's required items of work. The city began the acclimation process for starting the Schedule B facilities on October 5, 2015. The main treatment unit, known as the MBBR treatment basin has been started by adding activated sludge from a wastewater treatment facility in eastern Arkansas. That acclimation process continues and beginning the week of October 26, 2015 the city began the process of getting the DAF online to treat the effluent from the new MBBR basin. A photo of the operation of the MBBR basins is shown in Attachment 3, and a photo of the DAF units is shown in Attachment 4.

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When the Schedule B facilities come online, the City will begin to drawdown to the wastewater treatment pond cells and treat the wastewater in those cells and discharge the treated waste along with the normal flow into the plant to the receiving stream. A photo of the wastewater ponds to be drawn is shown in Attachment 5. Once that drawdown process has been completed, the City will have created 108 million gallons of wastewater storage to accommodate excess I and I that will be transported to the plant through the new main pump station. At this point the main pump station should be totally completed and be able to be placed into service. All that requires to tie all of the construction previously completed under Contract Section 1 (the main lines and tunnel between the old pump station and the new pump station) will be some minor ties of the mainlines by the contract section 3T contractor described in our January 29, 2015 letter.

We trust that this report is acceptable to the Department. If you any questions please feel free to call Damon Johnson, our City Engineer at 870-698-2415.

Sincerely,



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Mayor

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Attachment 1
Main Pump Station



Attachment 2
East Treatment Complex



Attachment 3
MBBR Treatment Basins



Attachment 4
DAF Units



Attachment 5
Wastewater Treatment Ponds to be Drawn Down