

Sent via email

December 12, 2023

Mr. Thomas Harrington, Enforcement Analyst
Office of Water Quality, Enforcement Branch
Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality
5301 Northshore Drive
North Little Rock, Arkansas 72118-5317

RE: Progress Report #9
NPDES Permit # AR0021717, AFIN 45-00021
City of Flippin, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Harrington:

In accordance with the approved CAP for the above-referenced permit number, this letter is being submitted as "Progress Report #9" on behalf of the City of Flippin. The work associated with the wastewater treatment facility improvements has been completed. The new equipment is online.

In addition to the improvements at the WWTF, the City has taken bids for the rehabilitation of the existing wastewater collection system and the expansion of the system to the east to serve residences located in the City limits that are not served by the system. The pre-construction meeting associated with this contract is scheduled for Monday, December 18, 2023. The start date for this contract is set for January 2, 2024, and the contract time is 600 consecutive calendar days.

During the months of August through November 2023, the facility reported three (3) effluent violations associated with its TSS limit in September. In addition, there were eleven (11) violations associated non-receipt of DMR data for August 2023. The TSS violations during September could be related to a low sludge blanket in the clarifier, not allowing for proper settlement, because the values for October and November were good.

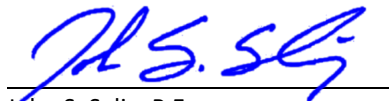
The DMR's for the facility will continue to be monitored until such time the City and myself feel like the new treatment facility has had enough time to stabilize. It is anticipated that as the collection system improvements progress, and the amount of I/I entering the system is reduced, the quality of effluent from the facility should improve.

Please review this information and advise me of any additional information that might be necessary to accept it as "Progress Report #9".

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you should have any questions or comments, do not hesitate to call me at (870) 273-4185, or email me at jselig@ce-associates.biz. Please send any written correspondence concerning this matter to our office in Jonesboro at the listed address.

Sincerely,

CIVIL ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES



John S. Selig, P.E.
Member

copy: Mr. J.L. Wagoner, Director of Public Works, City of Flippin