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December 12, 2022

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 #5
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 #5" on behalf of the City of Flippin. The proposed wastewater treatment facility improvements project has been under construction since the first quarter of this year. The original contract completion date was October 6, 2022. However, due to delivery delays associated with certain pieces of equipment needed to complete the improvements, the contract completion date has been moved to March 31, 2023. A revised milestone schedule was previously submitted to your agency corresponding to this contract completion date.

CEA has completed the design of the proposed collection system rehabilitation and received ADH approval of the plans and specifications for this work. CEA is currently working with the City's attorney to secure the necessary easements for the proposed improvements and to get the necessary bond ordinance passed by the City Council. Once the easement has been secured and the ordinance passed, CEA should be able to advertise for bids.

During the months of August 2022 through October 2022, the facility reported twenty-seven (27) effluent violations. These violations were associated with ammonia, BOD, TSS, and Fecal. Until all of the improvements are completed and the new equipment placed into service, the facility is going to struggle to maintain compliance with its NPDES permit.

Please review this information and advise me of any additional information that might be necessary to accept it as "Progress Report #5".

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