

July 12, 2016

CERTIFIED NUMBER 91 7199 9991 7036 8212 8603

Honorable Zack Tucker Mayor, City of Monticello P.O. Box 505 Monticello, AR 71657

RE: NPDES Permit Number AR0021831, AFIN 22-00379 Monticello-East Plant PROPOSED CONSENT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

Dear Mayor Tucker:

On December 23, 2015, the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality – Water Division (ADEQ) issued a proposed Consent Administrative Order (CAO) to the City of Monticello-East Plant with an assessed civil penalty of \$22,650.00. On March 11, 2016, the City of Monticello requested the assessed civil penalty be reduced to \$3,000.00. After careful consideration, ADEQ is willing to accept a reduced penalty offer of \$11,325.00. \$5,662.00 of the civil penalty will be suspended if the Respondent has no further violations for the six (6) months following the effective date of this Order.

Enclosed is a copy of the revised CAO in this matter. If you choose to accept the terms of the CAO, please sign, date, and <u>return the original, embossed copy</u> to the address below no later than **August 5, 2016**. Subsequently, the Director of ADEQ will sign the CAO and you will be provided a copy, including information on the public notice process and the effective date of the CAO.

Failure to contact the ADEQ Water Division Enforcement Branch in response to this CAO by **August 5, 2016**, will constitute rejection of the settlement offer and unilateral enforcement action may proceed through a Notice of Violation. Should you wish to discuss this matter further, you may contact me at (501)682-0636, or you may e-mail porterg@adeq.state.ar.us.

Sincerely,

Yenn Porter

Gina Porter, Enforcement Analyst Water Division, Enforcement Branch