

May 23, 2022

Tiana Toups Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality Enforcement Branch 5301 Northshore Drive North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317

RE: City of Blytheville – March 2022 Progress Report NPDES Permit No. AR0022578 & AR0022560 & AR0022586 Consent Administrative Order LIS 20-166 & CAO LIS 21-175-001

Ms. Toups:

This letter is intended to serve as an update to the Blytheville wastewater collection system rehabilitation plan status and wastewater treatment facility construction progress.

PMI along with a subconsultant, Horner & Shifrin, are in the process of soliciting bids from contractors to provide cleaning, inspection, and repairs of the collection system. Schedules are to receive bids by June 7, 2022, and present for approval soon after selecting a contractor. Work is scheduled to begin in July/August 2022 and prior to that PMI will submit to DEQ a collection system rehabilitation plan detailing our proposed project timeline.

Construction continues at the wastewater treatment facility with concrete work complete and most equipment delivered and stored onsite. Yard piping is being installed with equipment installation due to begin in early June. Current schedule (weather dependent) from the contractor is for plant construction to be completed in by September 22, 2022. Following completion of the new SBR facility, work will commence to convert the existing biolac treatment plants to first step settling and equalization basins.

Should you have any questions or require additional information please contact me at 501-221-7122 or <u>bwingfield@pmico.com</u>.

Sincerely, **PMI**

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