



## DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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September 23, 2024

Honorable Seth F. Smith, Mayor  
City of Mena  
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Mena, AR 71953

email: [mayor@cityofmena.org](mailto:mayor@cityofmena.org)

**RE: NPDES Permit Number AR0036692, AFIN 57-00423  
Revised Corrective Action Plan Response**

Dear Mayor Smith,

The Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) received and reviewed the Corrective Action Plan (CAP) dated September 13, 2024, for the above-referenced facilities. The response was deemed adequate with the following comments:

- The City of Mena will need to apply for another construction permit for the Dissolved Air Flotation or Suspended Air Flotation units.
- Any bypass of the treatment is subject to the requirements of Part III.B.4 of the permit.
- The emergency bypass pipe is not a permitted outfall. There are concerns that there is no disinfection provided for the emergency bypass.
- The milestone schedule and final compliance date shall be fully enforceable as terms of Consent Administrative Order (CAO) LIS 18-046, as amended by CAO LIS 18-046-001 and CAO LIS 18-046-002.
- Please submit quarterly reports detailing the progress the City of Mena has made in achieving final compliance with the permitted effluent limitations. The next quarterly report will be due by October 15, 2024.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 501.682.0699 or [tiana.toups@arkansas.gov](mailto:tiana.toups@arkansas.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Tiana Toups'.

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