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February 13, 2024

Honorable Seth F. Smith, Mayor City of Mena-Mena Wastewater Treatment Plant 520 Mena Street Mena, AR 71953 EMAIL: mayor@cityofmena.org

RE:

NPDES Permit Number: AR0036692, AFIN: 57-00423

PROPOSED CONSENT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER ADMENDMENT

Dear Mayor Smith:

On December 6, 2019, the Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the City of Mena entered into Consent Administrative Order (CAO) LIS 18-046-001. Pursuant to Order and Agreement Paragraph 4 of CAO LIS 18-046-001, the City of Mena agreed to achieve compliance with all permitted effluent limitations no later than December 1, 2023. On August 1, 2023, the City of Mena requested an extension of the final compliance date. After careful consideration, DEQ is willing to accept this request.

Enclosed is a copy of the CAO Amendment in this matter. If you choose to accept the terms of the CAO Amendment, please sign, date, and <u>return the originally, signed copy</u> to the address below within **twenty (20) calendar days** of receipt of this letter. A City Council Resolution that approves the CAO and authorizes the Mayor and Clerk/Treasurer to sign the CAO Amendment on behalf of the City of Mena must also be submitted. Subsequently, the Chief Administrator of DEQ will sign the CAO Amendment and the City of Mena will be provided a copy, including information on the public notice process and the effective date of the CAO Amendment.

Should you wish to discuss this matter further, you may contact Kristen Graham at (501) 682-0758, or you may e-mail her at kristen.graham@adeq.state.ar.us.

Sincerely,

Leslie Allen-Daniel

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