



# ARKANSAS

## ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT

August 24, 2022

Honorable Richard McCormac, Mayor  
City of Clinton  
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EMAIL: [clintonmayor@artelco.com](mailto:clintonmayor@artelco.com)

**RE: NPDES Permit Number: AR0048836, AFIN: 71-00018  
Response to Sampling Plan**

Dear Mayor McCormac,

The Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment—Division of Environment Quality (DEQ) has received and reviewed the Sampling Plan (SP) submitted June 29, 2022, for the above-referenced facility. The SP was deemed adequate with the following comments:

- Samples for Total Recoverable Cadmium (Cd) and Total Recoverable Mercury (Hg) must be composite samples. Please see the definition in the permit for the specifications for a composite sample.
- Samples from the Equalization Pond should be collected at the point where flow discharges from the Equalization Pond into the main aeration pond, if possible.
- DEQ recommends sampling the scum/grease layer from the Industrial Park Pump Station since the chicken processing plant connected to the City of Clinton's collection system contributes a significant amount of fats, oils and grease to the treatment plant and because the samples will be taken from below the scum/grease layer.
- Although the sampling labs do not sample at the same time, the samples should be taken as close together as possible in order to minimize any uncertainty from sampling different flows.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 501-682-0630, or you may e-mail me at [allen-daniel@adeq.state.ar.us](mailto:allen-daniel@adeq.state.ar.us).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Leslie Allen-Daniel".

Leslie Allen-Daniel  
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