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Tuesday, March 14, 2017

## Water-Draft-Permit-Comment@adeq.state.ar.us

RE: Reg. 5 Draft Permit #5264W - ADEQ Draft Decision to Approve C & H Hog Farms Application for a No-Discharge Permit

Dear ADEQ:

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From: <u>Jane Darr</u>

To: Water Draft Permit Comment

Cc: <u>Jane Darr</u>

 Subject:
 Oppose Reg. 5 Draft #5264W

 Date:
 Thursday, March 16, 2017 1:39:30 PM

Attachments: <u>JEDComments3.7.17.doc</u>

To ADEQ staff – attached are my formal comments as well as what I have included in the body of the email.

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