

IMPORTANT NOTICE

January 5, 2022

Albert Gresette, General Manager El Dorado Chemical Company P.O. Box 231 El Dorado, AR 71731-0231

RE: Second Permit Expiration Notification

NPDES Permit Number AR0000752, AFIN 70-00040

El Dorado Chemical Company

Dear Mr. Gressette:

Please be aware that a complete renewal application must be received by the Division no later than **April 3, 2022** in order to continue discharging wastewater after the expiration date of the existing permit. Any NPDES permit that expires without the receipt of a renewal application will no longer be valid. This will be a violation of your current permit, and operating without a valid permit is a violation of federal and state regulations.

Please be advised that the above referenced NPDES Discharge Permit will expire on **September 30, 2022.** The Division previously notified you of the upcoming permit expiration in a letter dated **October 4, 2021** (see attached letter). To date, our records indicate that the required renewal application has not been submitted.

Even though there is still considerable time to submit the renewal application (approximately 90 days), you **MUST** be aware that a complete renewal application must be received by the Division no later than **April 3, 2022** in order to continue discharging wastewater after the expiration date of the existing permit. Any NPDES permit that expires without the receipt of a renewal application will no longer be valid. This will be a violation of your current permit along with federal and state regulations. Please be aware that during DEQ's evaluation of initial submittals, applications are frequently determined to be incomplete. In an effort to avoid an incomplete application, we ask that you read over the enclosed documents: *Common Mistakes and NPDES Permit Applications and How to Avoid Them*, and *NPDES Permit Application Checklist*.

Please complete the required application forms and return them as soon as possible. Please be advised that ALL required effluent testing data MUST be obtained and submitted with the application forms. Copies of the required NPDES Permit renewal forms can be obtained at the following website:

https://www.adeq.state.ar.us/water/permits/npdes/individual/

If our records are incorrect or if you do not desire to renew your permit, you **MUST** submit a letter terminating the permit including the current status of the facility and why the permit is no longer needed. If you need additional time to complete and submit the application forms (which cannot be more than 30 days prior to the expiration date of the permit), please respond in writing by letter or by email at <u>water-permitapplication@adeq.state.ar.us</u> as soon as possible. Failure to submit the requested information could result in enforcement action.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If there are any questions concerning this submittal, please contact Loretta Carstens, P.E. at 501-682-0612 or by email at loretta.carstens@adeq.state.ar.us.

Sincerely,

Jessica Sears, P.E. NPDES Engineer Supervisor Office of Water Quality

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Enclosures

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