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April 26, 2022

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

Re: NPDES Permit Number AR0000752 – AFIN 70-00040

Dear Mr. Turner:

The application for renewal of your expiring NPDES permit was received on March 30, 2022. In accordance with Division policy, your application has been reviewed and determined to be administratively complete on March 30, 2022. Effluent testing for Outfall 001 and Outfall 002 required by EPA Forms 2C and 2F was not submitted before the application was deemed complete due to no recent discharge from either outfall. The required testing must be done at the next discharge and the results submitted to the Division.

All permits are issued in accordance with federal and state priorities for water pollution abatement. Therefore, it is possible that the processing of this application for permit renewal may take some time depending on the relative priority of the discharge in comparison with others. However, every effort will be made to expedite the processing of your permit. In the event that a renewal permit is not issued prior to the expiration date of your current permit, your expiring permit will continue in effect after the expiration date because you have submitted an administratively complete renewal application at least 180 days prior to the expiration date of your current permit (as required in 40 CFR 122.21(d) and APC&EC Rule 6.201). You must continue to meet your existing permit requirements until a renewal permit is issued.

Pursuant to Act 163 of 1993 and Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission (APC&EC) Rule 8.205, public notice must be given for all permit applications submitted to this Division. The enclosed public notice will be published by DEQ in a newspaper of general circulation for one (1) day only. An invoice for the cost of publishing the public notice and proof of publication will be sent to you by the advertising newspaper. The permittee must send proof of publication and payment to the address at the bottom of this letter as soon as possible but no later than 30 days from the above date. Until this Division receives proof of publication of the public notice, no further action will be taken on the renewal of your discharge permit.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Carrie McWilliams".

Carrie McWilliams, P.E.
NPDES Engineer Supervisor
Office of Water Quality, Division of Environmental Quality
5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR, 72118

cc: Amanda Gallagher, P.E., GBMc & Associates (agallagher@gbmcassoc.com)

Notice of Application
For NPDES Permit AR0000752

Under the provisions of Act 163 of the 1993 Arkansas Legislature, this is to give notice the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality - Office of Water Quality has received a renewal application on March 30, 2022, for an NPDES Permit No. AR0000752 from the following facility:

El Dorado Chemical Company
P.O. Box 231
El Dorado, AR 71731-0231

The application has been deemed administratively complete and is undergoing technical review by the Office of Water Quality for compliance with State and Federal regulations. The facility under consideration is located as follows: 4500 North West Avenue, El Dorado, in Union County, Arkansas.

Interested persons desiring to request a public hearing on the application may do so in writing. The Division shall have the discretion to decide whether to hold a public hearing, unless otherwise required by law or regulation. If a hearing is scheduled, adequate public notice will be given in this newspaper. All requests shall be submitted in writing and must include the reasons for the necessity of a public hearing. All requests should be received by DEQ within 10 business days of the date of this notice and should be submitted to:

Loretta Carstens, P.E.
Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality
Office of Water Quality, NPDES Permits Branch
5301 Northshore Drive
North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317
Telephone: (501) 682-0656