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Department of Environmental Quality

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James W. Cutbirth
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Georgia-Pacific LLC
Crossett Paper Operations
P.O. Box 3333
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RE: NPDES Permit No. AR0001210, AFIN 02-00013
Request to Discharge Wastewater from Grenada, MS facility

Dear Mr. Cutbirth:

The Department has reviewed your correspondence dated January 27, 2010, requesting permission to haul excess storm water and process wastewater from Georgia-Pacific LLC's Grenada, MS Oriented Strand Board (OSB) mill to the Crossett facility for treatment and discharge. It is the Department's understanding that there is an excess of storm water and process wastewater at the OSB facility due to heavy rains and a two month long shutdown.

The Department does not consider the significantly higher than average rainfall for the month of December 2009 to be an emergency situation. Based upon a conversation with the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, the Department has discerned that the Grenada OSB facility cannot legally discharge the wastewater because it does not have a permit to do so. Also, the Crossett facility is not authorized to operate as a centralized treatment facility. On the aforementioned grounds, the Department denies the request to transfer wastewater from the Grenada, MS facility to the Crossett Facility for treatment and discharge.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Loretta Reiber, P.E. at (501) 682-0612 or by e-mail at reiber@adeq.state.ar.us.

Sincerely,



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