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## RE: NPDES Permit No. AR0001210, AFIN 02-00013 Extension of Oxygen Addition Trial

Dear Ms. Ross:

The Department has reviewed your correspondence dated July 11, 2018 to extend the trial for adding oxygen to the wastewater treatment system as described in a letter dated July 27, 2017.

Based on your correspondence, the Department understands oxygen is currently added to the clarifier influent. In addition, the Department understands that the extension of the trial will include continuation of adding oxygen at the current location and add a second injection point in the conveyance between the clarifier effluent and the aeration stabilization basin after the City of Crossett's wastewater has been added.

At this time, the Department has no objection to extending the trial for an additional 12 months from the date of this letter. Please note that certain data and report submittals were discussed during the initial approval process and outlined in the approval letter dated July 27, 2017. Data and reports were to be provided within forty-five (45) days after the completion of trial period. Since the trial period is now being extended, the Department requests the current data and a preliminary report be submitted on or before September 17, 2018.

Please note that all monitoring requirements set forth in the Department's July 27, 2017 letter are still in effect. Additionally, the parameters must be monitored 1) before the second oxygen injection site and 2) after the second injection site before the aeration stabilization basin. Finally, the Department requests a final report be submitted after the conclusion of this extended trial period as required by the July 27, 2017 letter.

If you have any questions, please contact Loretta Carstens, P.E., of the NPDES Permits Section at <u>loretta.carstens@adeq.state.ar.us</u> or at (501) 682-0612.

Sincerely,

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