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Tommy D. Smith Vice President of Manufacturing Georgia-Pacific Consumer Operations LLC Crossett Paper Operations P.O. Box 3333 Crossett, AR 71635

RE: NPDES Permit No. AR0001210, AFIN 02-00013 Request to Extend pH Adjustment Trial

Dear Mr. Smith:

The Office of Water Quality (OWQ) has reviewed your letter dated May 19, 2021, requesting permission to extend the pH adjustment trial currently on-going at your facility. Based on the information submitted in your correspondence as well as the State Construction Permit application submitted on March 24, 2021, with additional information submitted by April 29, 2021, the OWQ concurs that the carbon dioxide treatment will continue to provide enhanced treatment capability.

In conjunction and reliance on the details provided in the State Construction Permit for a permanent CO_2 pH adjustment system, the OWQ agrees to extend the trial until issuance of the State Construction Permit. The extension will provide additional time for continued optimization of this process as proposed in your request. Please keep a copy of this letter and your correspondence with your NPDES permit.

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

Sincerely,

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