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June 3, 2011

Carey Austell, Plant Manager Ash Grove Cement Company 4343 Highway 108 W Foreman, AR 71836

Re: NPDES Permit Number AR0042846 - AFIN 41-00001

Dear Mr. Austell:

The application for renewal of your expiring NPDES permit was received on 5/27/2011. In accordance with Department policy, your application has been reviewed and determined to be administratively complete.

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. During the interim, your expiring permit will continue in effect, and you should continue to meet your existing permit requirements until a new permit is issued.

Pursuant to Act 163 of 1993 and Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission (APCEC) Regulation No. 8, Section 8.205, public notice must be given for all permit applications submitted to this Department. The enclosed public notice will be published by <u>ADEQ</u> in the Little River News 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 <u>must</u> 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 Department 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 Shane Byrum of my staff at (501) 682-0618 or by email at byrum@adeq.state.ar.us.

Sincerely.

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Assistant Chief, Water Division

## Notice of Application For NPDES Permit AR0042846

Under the provisions of Act 163 of the 1993 Arkansas Legislature, this is to give notice the Water Division of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) has received a renewal application on 5/27/2011, for an NPDES Permit No. AR0042846 from the following facility:

Ash Grove Cement Company 4343 Highway 108 W Foreman, AR 71836

The facility under consideration is located as follows: 4343 Highway 108 W, Foreman, in Little River County, Arkansas. Interested persons desiring to request a public hearing on the application may do so in writing. All requests should be received by ADEQ within 10 business days of the date of this notice and should be submitted to:

Shane Byrum Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality NPDES Branch, Water Division 5301 Northshore Drive North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317 Telephone: (501) 682-0622