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David Dorris, Plant Manager Ash Grove Cement Company 4343 Highway 108 W Foreman, AR 71836

Re: NPDES Permit Number AR0042846 – AFIN 41-00001

Dear Mr. Dorris:

The application for renewal of your expiring NPDES permit was received on 12/1/2016. 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.

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 ADEQ 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 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 Guy Lester of my staff at (501) 682-0023 or by email at lester@adeq.state.ar.us.

Sincerely.

Robert E. Blanz, Ph.D., P.E. Acting Senior Operations Manager

Office of Water Quality

Notice of Application For NPDES Permit AR0042846

Under the provisions of Act 163 of the 1993 Arkansas Legislature, this is to give notice the Office of Water Quality of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) has received a renewal application on 12/1/2016, for an NPDES Permit No. AR0042846 from the following facility:

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

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: 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. The Department 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 ADEQ within 10 business days of the date of this notice and should be submitted to:

Guy Lester Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality NPDES Branch, Office of Water Quality 5301 Northshore Drive North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317 Telephone: (501) 682-0623