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June 24, 2020

Gail Mainard, Assistant Director
Arkansas Department of Correction North Central Unit, Izard County Facility
P.O. Box 8707
Pine Bluff, AR 71611

Re: NPDES Permit Number AR0044016 – AFIN 33-00036

Dear Mr. Mainard:

The application for renewal of your expiring NPDES permit was received on June 5, 2020, with additional information received June 9, 2020. In accordance with Division policy, your application has been reviewed and determined to be administratively complete on June 9, 2020.

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. In the event that a renewal permit is not issued prior to the expiration date of your current permit, your expiring permit will continue in effect after the expiration date because you have submitted an administratively complete renewal application at least 180 days prior to the expiration date of your current permit (as required in 40 CFR 122.21(d) and APC&EC Regulation 6.201). You must continue to meet your existing permit requirements until a renewal permit is issued.

Pursuant to Act 163 of 1993 and Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission (APC&EC) Regulation No. 8, Section 8.205, public notice must be given for all permit applications submitted to this Division. The enclosed public notice will be published by DEQ 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 Division 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 Terry Liu, P.E. of my staff at (501) 682-0653 or by email at Liu@adeq.state.ar.us.

Sincerely,



Jessica Sears, P.E.
NPDES Engineer Supervisor
Office of Water Quality

Division of Environmental Quality

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Notice of Application
For NPDES Permit AR0044016

Under the provisions of Act 163 of the 1993 Arkansas Legislature, this is to give notice the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality - Office of Water Quality has received a renewal application on June 5, 2020, with additional information received June 9, 2020, for an NPDES Permit No. AR0044016 from the following facility:

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Pine Bluff, AR 71611

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: Route 5 Hwy 5 North, Calico Rock, in Izard County, Arkansas.

Interested persons desiring to request a public hearing on the application may do so in writing. The Division 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 DEQ within 10 business days of the date of this notice and should be submitted to:

Terry Liu, P.E.
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Office of Water Quality, NPDES Permits Branch
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North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317
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