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Bryan attached is the NPDES oversight review response for the Exploratory Ventures facility that was received May 25, 2023. Please let me know if you have any questions.

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Re: Exploratory Ventures, LLC
AR0053384

Dear Mr. Leamons:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the preliminary draft permit for the Exploratory Ventures, LLC (AR0053384), which was received by this office May 25, 2023. Based on our review of the above referenced draft permit, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has no comments at this time.

Thank you for your continued cooperation in administering the Clean Water Act (CWA) permitting program. Under the CWA, the DEQ as the primary National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permitting authority in the state, and the EPA, in its oversight role, share responsibility for ensuring that all NPDES permits issued within the state comply with the CWA and federal regulations. If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (214) 665-6473 or reply directly to Juanita Huff at (214) 665-2794 (e-mail: huff.juanita@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

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Richard Wooster
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