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**I'm writing to oppose the renewal of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit (ARG590000)** that was published on March 15, 2016 in the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette for eligible operators of Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFO) in the State of Arkansas. This General Permit (ARG590000) streamlined the permitting for a large scale swine factory CAFO that is located in a fragile ecosystem in a highly fractured soluble limestone rock (i.e. Karst) that drains via surface and groundwater directly into our Nation's first designated National River, the Buffalo National River, which has resulted in significant "on-going" public opposition. I do not want this permit to be utilized to facilitate the permitting of another CAFO in Arkansas.

This General Permit (ARG590000) generated a permit that is highly controversial resulting in considerable litigation expenses and several hundred thousand dollars of tax payer money being allocated for "research" at this CAFO. I.e. The last "results or response form documents mailed to me in response to comments submitted "RE: AFIN; 51-00164; Permit Tracking No.; ARG590001" required \$6.27 postage. That postage amount times the number of commentators listed (116) totals \$727.32 just for the postage alone. In addition to the copy paper, toner, copy machine usage, personnel to prepare, package and mail probably cost over several thousand dollars of TAX PAYER MONEY! All this so one GREEDY family and a foreign corporation can pollute our National River and spoil it for the entire population of the USA! All this is the craziest wast of government resources and tax payer money imaginable. Please stop this madness and just make this one family stop this disgraceful greedy operation. As well as not make it easier for additional CAFO operations to start up.

In addition to this shameful wast, this permit by-passes well established science, it is likely its shortcomings will occur again if General Permit (ARG590000) is renewed.

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