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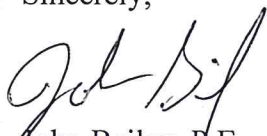
RE: C & H Hog Farms, Inc. Modification Request
AFIN: 51-00164; Permit Tracking No. ARG590001

Dear Mr. Cooke,

On August 7, 2015, the Department received an email from you commenting on the above referenced permit modification. This letter is to inform you that a public meeting and hearing will be held on September 29, 2015, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Central Time at the Jasper School District Cafetorium, 600 School Street, in Jasper, AR in Newton County, to accept comments on the requested modification. A copy of the public notice for the public hearing is included below. For additional information regarding procedures, public hearings, and rights of the public, the Department encourages you to review APC&EC Regulation 8. This regulation is available on the ADEQ website at www.adeq.state.ar.us/regs.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If there are any questions concerning this submittal, please contact me at (501) 682-0629 or by email at bailey@adeq.state.ar.us.

Sincerely,



John Bailey, R.E.
Permits Branch Manager
Water Division

cc: File

Public Notice of Public Meeting and Hearing
ARG590001 AFIN 51-00164
C & H Hog Farm

This is to give notice that the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) Water Division, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, Arkansas 72118-5317 at telephone number (501) 682-0648, is holding a Public Meeting and Hearing for the proposed draft modification of coverage for the applicant listed below under the Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation General Permit, ARG590000. The Notice of Intent (NOI) and Design Plans were received on May 7, 2015 with additional information received May 19, 2015. The facility is requesting to modify the Waste Storage Ponds to install 60 mil high density polyethylene liners in Waste Storage Ponds 1 and 2 as well as install a methane flare system and cover on Waste Storage Pond 1.

Applicant: C & H Hog Farm. Location: HC 72 Box 10, Mount Judea, AR 72655; Latitude: 35° 55' 13.6" N Longitude: 93° 4' 51.0" W in Newton County. The documents may be accessed by searching the permit tracking number listed above at the following website:

<https://www.adeq.state.ar.us/home/pdssql/pds.aspx>

A public notice period was previously held from July 8, 2015 to August 7, 2015 for the proposed modification. Comments were received on the proposed modification during the public comment period and included requests for a public hearing. Based upon these comments, and in accordance with Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission (APC&EC) Regulation No. 8.209, the Department will conduct a public meeting and hearing. Written or oral comments will be accepted at the Public Hearing scheduled for September 29, 2015. No additional comments will be accepted upon adjourning the Public Hearing.

The Public Meeting and Hearing will be held on September 29, 2015, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Central Time at the Jasper School District Cafetorium, 600 School Street, in Jasper, AR in Newton County. Enter the school building at the clock tower. In the event of inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances, a decision may be made to postpone the hearing. If the hearing is postponed and rescheduled, a new legal notice will be published to announce the details of the new hearing date and comment period.

Public hearing procedures may be found in the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission (APC&EC) Regulation No. 8. ADEQ will issue a final permitting decision. ADEQ will notify the applicant and each person who has submitted written comments or requested a notice of the final permitting decision. Any interested person who has submitted comments may appeal a final decision by ADEQ in accordance with the APC&EC Regulation No. 8 (Administrative Procedures).

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