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Ralph Ellis 745 N Sequoyah Dr. Fayetteville AR 72701

RE: Comments on the modification of ARG590001

Dear Mr. Ellis:

The Department received your comment on the modification of ARG590001 on May 4, 2015. The comment period for this modification ended on April 17, 2015, at 4:30 p.m. A public notice, attached, appeared in the Newton County Times on March 18, 2015, stating the dates of the comment period. The public notice also provided information about a public hearing, where comments were accepted, which was held on April 20, 2015. Therefore, while the Department appreciates your comments, we cannot accept comments submitted outside the comment period as stated in Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulations 8.208 (F) and 8.211(B).

Thank you for your interest in this matter. If you have any further questions on this matter, please contact John Bailey, P.E. of my staff at 501-682-0629 or by email at <u>bailey@adeq.state.ar.us</u>.

Sincerely,

Mo Shafii Assistant Chief, Water Division

Attachment

Public Notice of Public 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 providing a Public Comment period and holding a Public Hearing for the proposed draft modification of coverage for the applicant listed below for which a Notice of Intent (NOI) and revised Nutrient Management Plan (NMP) were received on February 26, 2015 under the Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation General Permit, ARG590000. The NMP is being modified to allow land application of wastewater from Waste Storage Pond 2 via tanker wagon.

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 public notice of the Nutrient Management Plan and NOI will be available on the Department's website at the following web address on beginning March 18, 2015.

http://www.adeq.state.ar.us/water/branch_permits/general_permits/generalpermitspn/arg590000_generalpermitspn.aspx

Written comments will be accepted during the Public Comment period, which will begin on March 18, 2015, and end on April 17, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. Central Time. All persons who wish to comment on ADEQ's draft permitting decision must submit Written comments to ADEQ, along with their name and mailing address, during the Public Comment period. Additionally, Written or Oral comments will be accepted at the Public Hearing scheduled for April 20, 2015. No additional comments will be accepted upon adjourning the Public Hearing.

The Public Hearing will be held on April 20, 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.

After the Public Comment period and Public Hearing, ADEQ will issue a final decision on the request to modify the NMP. ADEQ will notify each person who has submitted Written comments and/or requested notice of the final decision.

ADEQ's contact for submitting Written Comments or requesting information regarding the NMP and NOI, is the Permits Branch of ADEQ, at the above address and telephone number or by email at <u>Water-Draft-Permit-Comment@adeq.state.ar.us</u>.

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