BEFORE THE ARKANSAS POLLUTION CONTROL AND ECOLOGY COMMISSION

IN RE: REQUEST BY MCGEORGE)		
CONTRACTING CO., INC.)		
TO INITIATE RULEMAKING TO AMEND)	DOCKET NO.	09-003-R
REGULATION NO. 2)		

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY'S STATEMENT OF BASIS AND PURPOSE

On October 23, 2009, the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission granted the petition of McGeorge Contracting Co., Inc. ("McGeorge") to initiate rulemaking to amend APC&EC Regulation No. 2, Regulation Establishing Water Quality Standards for Surface Waters of the State of Arkansas.

Initiation of this rulemaking was as the request of a third party. As such, ADEQ does not wish to make a statement regarding the basis and purpose of the proposed amendments to Regulation No. 2. However, ADEQ does not oppose the proposed changes to Regulation No. 2 that are requested in McGeorge's petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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