

October 21, 2009

Michael O'Malley
Administrative Hearing Officer
101 East Capitol Ave, Suite 205
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

2009 OCT 26 PM 3:28

2009 OCT 26 PM 3:28
PQ

RE: Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulation No. 2 Establishing Water Quality Standards for Surface Waters


Dear Judge O'Malley:

Per Act 143 of 2007, I have reviewed the proposed changes to the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulation No. 2 Establishing Water Quality Standards for Surface Waters and the economic impact statement. Arkansas Code § 25-15-302(d)(1) of Act 143 requires me to determine if you have "taken sufficient measures to balance the objectives of the proposed rules with the interests of the impacted small businesses".

It is my determination that in drafting the proposed changes to the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulation No. 2 Establishing Water Quality Standards for Surface Waters, you have taken sufficient steps to protect the interests of the impacted small businesses.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding this matter. I can be reached at (501) 682-6105 or pbrown@arkansasedc.com.

Sincerely,


Patricia Brown
Division Director
Small and Minority Business

PB/cm