

Maria Luisa M. Haley Executive Director

Arkansas Economic Development Commission

September 12, 2007

Dan Etzkorn Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality 5301 Northshore Drive North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317

RE: Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulation No. 9

Dear Mr. Etzkorn:

Per Act 143 of 2007, I have reviewed the proposed changes to the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulation No. 9 and the financial impact statement you sent on September 6, 2007. 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. 9 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@1800arkansas.com.

Sincerely,

Patricia Brown Division Director

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