

Exhibit A:

Statement of Basis and Purpose

BEFORE THE ARKANSAS POLLUTION CONTROL AND ECOLOGY COMMISSION

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENTS TO)
REGULATION 19: REGULATIONS OF THE) DOCKET NO. 20-002-R
ARKANSAS PLAN OF IMPLEMENTATION)
FOR AIR POLLUTION CONTROL)**

STATEMENT OF BASIS AND PURPOSE

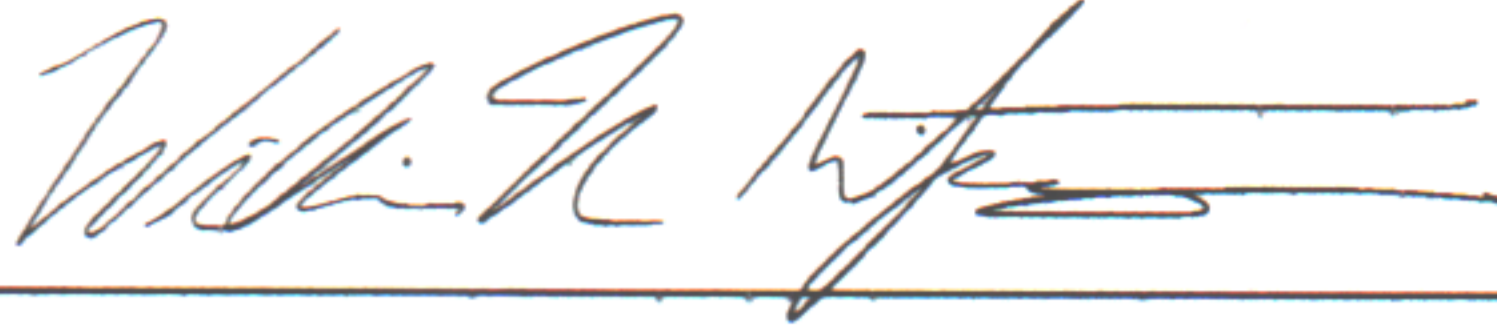
OF THE DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

The Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission is vested with general authority to make and amend rules in Ark. Code Ann. § 8-01-203(b)(1)(A).

The purpose of the revisions to Regulation 19 is to include changes in certain titles—“Regulation” to “Rule” and “Department” to “Division”—in order to bring Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulation No. 19 into conformity with Act 315 of 2019 and the Transformation and Efficiencies Act of 2019. Because all instances of “regulation” were changed to “rule” when referring to rules promulgated by Arkansas entities, the definitions for Rule 8, Rule 18, and Rule 26 were added. These definitions ensure continuity of references to these rules, which have not yet been revised to change the term “regulation” to “rule.” There are no substantive changes included in this proposed amendment.

The amendments to Regulation 19 are necessary to serve the public interest and ensure compliance with state law.

Respectfully Submitted,

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