

EXHIBIT A:

STATEMENT OF BASIS & PURPOSE

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The Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality maintains and administers a hazardous substance site cleanup program to implement the provisions of the Arkansas Remedial Action Trust Fund Act (RATFA), (Arkansas Code Annotated §§ 8-7-501 *et seq.*)

The Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission (APC&EC) proposed to amend its Regulation No. 30 (Arkansas Remedial Action Trust Fund Hazardous Substances Site Priority List) in order to delete five sites from the state priority list following the completion of cleanups at these sites, and to add one additional site to the list in order to investigate potential contamination or environmental risks from that site. A public hearing was held at the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality's (ADEQ) headquarters in North Little Rock on January 9, 2012, to receive comments on the proposed revisions. No comments were received during the public participation period.

Sites Proposed for Deletion from the State Priority List

ADEQ proposed to delete five (5) sites from those currently listed on the State Priority List. Site investigation and necessary remedial activities have been completed at these sites to a point where the site no longer poses an unacceptable risk to human health or the environment from hazardous substances defined under the Arkansas Remedial Action Trust Fund Act. The sites proposed for delisting are:

- (1) Baird Manufacturing, Clarendon, Monroe County
- (2) Dana Minton Property, Alexander, Saline County
- (3) I. Easter Property, Pine Bluff, Jefferson County
- (4) Value-Line 10th Street, Arkadelphia, Clark County
- (5) Walgreens Store #03045, Hot Springs, Garland County

Sites Proposed for Addition to the State Priority List

One site is proposed to be added to the State Priority List for investigation of potential hazardous substances and their effect on local groundwater and other environmental conditions.

- (1) Fulton Class 3C Landfill, Rogers, Benton County

Background information and the details on conditions at each site, as well as a complete listing of the proposed changes to Regulation 30 can be found on the Drafts of Proposed Regulations page of the ADEQ's Internet web site at

http://www.adeq.state.ar.us/regs/drafts/reg30_draft_docket_11-008-R/reg30_draft_docket_11-008-R.htm.