

WATER DIVISION NPDES COMPLAINT REPORT

GPS LOCATION: N35°55'20" W91°56'22"	AFIN: 33-00002
DATE RECEIVED: December 11, 2009	PERMIT#: AR0001899
COMPLAINANT NAME: Anonymous	COUNTY: Izard
ADDRESS: N/A	COMPLAINT AGAINST: Unimin Corporation
PHONE: N/A	ADDRESS: P.O. Box 29 Guion, AR 72540
	PHONE: 870-346-5301

TRACKING & REFERRAL INFORMATION

PERSON RECEIVING REPORT: Dale Washam	DATE: 12-11-09	SUPERVISOR REFERRAL:	DATE:
INSPECTOR REFERRAL: Mike Kennedy	DATE: 12-11-09	MEDIA SUPERVISOR REFERRAL:	DATE:
PHONE REFERRAL CONTACT:	DATE:	RECEIVING INSPECTOR:	DATE:

COMPLAINT RECEIVED BY: ☐PHONE ☐LETTER ☐VERBAL ☐INTERNET ☒EMAIL

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

The complainant alleged that the Unimin was dumping a white milky sludge that smell like chemicals into the Guion Slough.

LOCATION

Drive south on Highway #69 approx. 6 miles, then turn on Highway #58 west and drive approx. 12 miles to Guion, Arkansas. Turn south on Main Street and drive to the end of the street, the facility front gate is at the end of the street.

PREVIOUS COMPLAINT: ☒YES ☐NO DATES: August 9, 2007DISCHARGE TO STREAM: ☐YES ☒NO NAME OF STREAM:

INVESTIGATION

INSPECTOR: Mike Kennedy	DATE: January 19, 2010
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ACTION TAKEN: PHOTOS TAKEN: ☒YES ☐NO

The Water Inspector met with Mr. Gary Blankenship, QC & Safety Supervisor for Unimin. He was informed of the complaint that had been filed and that an inspection would be performed along with the complaint investigation. Mr. Blankenship stated that he was not aware of any upset condition or any other unusual occurrence that might have caused any milky substance to reach White River. The Inspector and Mr. Blankenship viewed Outfall 001 and 009, the only permitted outlets from the facility. On the date of the inspection Outfall 001 was not flowing. The Inspector traced the water from the plant to and through Outfall 009 to where Outfall 009 flows into Guion Slough and then into White River. There was no visible evidence of any milky substance or any other discoloration of the water where it emptied into White River. There did not appear to be a violation of the Water and Air Pollution Control Act.

On the date of the complaint investigation, the Inspector also performed a Recon Inspection of the facility. For more details of the inspection refer the attached Recon Inspection Form.

FURTHER ACTION:

No further action is required concerning this particular complaint at this time.

SIGNATURE  Mike Kennedy	DATE: January 22, 2010
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