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Ms. Tiana Toups
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Enforcement Branch
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North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317

Re: NPDES Permit Number: AR0021768, AFIN: 58-00105, CAO 22-088
Quarterly Progress Report No. 11

Dear Ms. Toups,

In accordance with the requirements of CAO 22-088, please accept this quarterly progress report from City Corporation – Russellville Water & Sewer.

The Pollution Control Works (PCW) continues to be operated with the requirements of the Interim Operations Plan to mitigate the risk of permit violation. However, we did experience several permit violations in the first quarter of 2025 resulting from sludge bulking and higher flows through the plant. It was determined that the bulking condition was due to filamentous bacteria. Plant personnel took immediate steps to treat this condition with the introduction of sodium hypochlorite and lowering the speed of the mixer in the anaerobic selector. The bulking condition improved greatly during the last month of the quarter. Also, we continue to work closely with Hawkins-Weir Engineers on the peak flow improvements project. We anticipate the bidding for the project to begin approximately July 1, 2025.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

Greg Kremers
Wastewater & Pretreatment Operations Director
City Corporation – Russellville Water & Sewer

Cc: Steve Mallett, P.E., General Manager, City Corporation – Russellville Water & Sewer
Aaron Benzing, P.E., Hawkins-Weir Engineers