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Mr. Cullum, Gilkey, and whom it may concern.

Attached is Blackstone Construction LLC's response to the findings identified during the June 22, 2026 inspection. A hard copy of the response and supporting documentation will also be mailed to the Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment.
Please let me know if you or your staff need any additional information.

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August 18, 2026

Attention: Daniel Cullum

Blackstone respectfully submits the following responses and corrective actions regarding the findings identified during ADEQ's inspection:

Annual Engineering Inspection Report

The Annual Engineering Inspection Report was submitted by email on July 2, 2026, following a request from Jason Gilkey. A recurring reminder and compliance-tracking date have been established to ensure the report is completed and submitted by June 30 each year going forward.

Permit Name Change and Operating Plan

The permit name-change request was submitted to ADEQ on June 25, 2025. An updated Operating Plan and Narrative reflecting the facility's current ownership and operations is being prepared and will be submitted to ADEQ no later than October 31, 2026.

Vegetation Maintenance

The site is typically bushhogged quarterly. The employee responsible for this work experienced an extended medical absence during the spring quarter when vegetation growth was most vigorous. The vegetation consisted primarily of light native grasses.

Bushhogging was attempted during extreme heat and drought conditions. During this work, the equipment struck a rock and ignited a small grass fire. The fire was safely extinguished, and the site is now clear and available for inspection. Going forward, vegetation will continue to be maintained quarterly, but bushhogging will not be performed during extreme drought or other unsafe conditions. Photographs of the cleared site and affected area are attached.

Intermediate Cover and Asphalt Millings

The crushed asphalt millings identified during the inspection were excavated, loaded into dump trucks, and removed from the site. Topsoil was then placed over the excavated area. Grass seed will be applied once the extreme heat and drought conditions have passed and conditions are suitable for successful establishment. Photographs of the corrected area are attached.

Blackstone believes these actions address the conditions identified during the inspection and remains committed to maintaining the facility in compliance with applicable requirements.

Attachment A - Photo Documentation

Corrective-action conditions documented August 18, 2026



Photo 1. Soil-covered area following excavation and removal of the asphalt millings.



Photo 2. Cleared vegetation and fire-affected area.



Photo 3. Additional view of the cleared site.