

March 13, 2007

Colonel Wally Z. Walters, District Engineer Little Rock District Corps of Engineers P. O. Box 867 Little Rock, Arkansas 72203-0867

RE: Public Notice: Re-issuance of Nationwide Permits

Dear Colonel Walters:

The Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ") has completed its review of the above referenced public notice for re-issuance of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permits for the State of Arkansas.

ADEQ has determined there is a reasonable assurance that activities covered under these Nationwide Permits will be conducted in a manner which, according to the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission's Regulation No.2, will not physically alter a significant segment of the waterbody and will not violate the water quality criteria.

Therefore, pursuant to §401(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act, the ADEQ hereby <u>issues</u> water quality certification for the **Re-issuance of Nationwide Permits** as it applies to the waters within the state of Arkansas contingent upon the following conditions:

- 1) Individual Water Quality Certification requests must be submitted to ADEQ for any activity impacting Extraordinary Resource Waters, Ecologically Sensitive Waters, and Natural and Scenic Waters as identified in Regulation # 2..
- 2) Applicant shall contact ADEQ for a Short Term Activity Authorization needs determination for activities that have the potential to violate water quality criteria.
- 3) Applicant shall comply with NPDES Stormwater Program requirements.

Sincerely,

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Director

cc: Wanda Boyd, Region VI, Environmental Protection Agency Bradley Myers, Project Manager, Little Rock District COE

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