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CITY OF BROKEN ARROW

Michael Spurgeon, City Manager  
City of Broken Arrow  
P.O. Box 610  
Broken Arrow, Oklahoma 74013-0610

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Re: Notice of Violation No. S-20409-17-1 – Closed  
City of Broken Arrow Wastewater Treatment Plant  
Facility No. S-20409  
OPDES Permit No. OK0040053

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Dear Mr. Spurgeon:

On January 30, 2017, the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) issued Notice of Violation (NOV) No. S-20409-17-1, to the City of Broken Arrow (City) for failing to monitor total dissolved solids (TDS) in accordance with the City's DEQ-issued Oklahoma Discharge Elimination System (OPDES) Permit during the November 2016 monitoring period. The City received the NOV on February 2, 2017.

On March 13, 2017, DEQ received a response to the NOV from the City. The response stated that the City's contract laboratory inadvertently failed to test for TDS during the above-described monitoring period and included a copy of a letter from the contract laboratory that stated the login technician missed the TDS test on the chain of custody included with the sample. The letter from the contract laboratory also stated that additional safeguards were developed to prevent oversights of this nature in the future. On April 25, 2017, DEQ sent a letter to the City that stated DEQ would monitor the City's monthly Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) through the September 2017 DMR submittal, due by October 15, 2017, to determine if compliance had been achieved.

Based upon review of the City's monthly DMRs, DEQ believes that the actions taken by the City to eliminate and prevent future violations of this nature are adequate. Therefore, DEQ is closing NOV No. S-20409-17-1.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Travis Archer, P.E., District Engineer, Municipal Wastewater Enforcement Section, Water Quality Division, DEQ, at (405) 702-8109 or write to Mr. Archer at the letterhead address.

Sincerely,

Michael B. Moe, P.E., Engineering Manager  
Wastewater Group  
Water Quality Division

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cc: Anthony Daniel, Director of Utilities, City of Broken Arrow  
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Debbie Nichols, Regional Manager, ECLS, DEQ

