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Colonel David R. Ruf
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Little Rock District Corps of Engineers
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RE: Public Notice No. 11573

Dear Colonel Ruf:

The Arkansas Department of Pollution Control and Ecology has completed its review of the above referenced permit for Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation to fill 23.6 acres of wetlands at Wilbur D. Mills Dam on the Arkansas River in Arkansas and Desha Counties for the construction of a hydroelectric project.

The Department has determined there is a reasonable assurance this activity will be conducted in a manner which, according to the Department's Regulation No. 2, will not physically alter a significant segment of a waterbody and will not violate the water quality criteria.

Pursuant to §401(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act, the Arkansas Department of Pollution Control and Ecology hereby <u>issues</u> water quality certification for this project unless a Commission review has been properly requested under Section 4, Part III, of Regulation No. 8, Administrative Procedures, within thirty (30) days after service of this decision.

All persons submitting written comments during this 30 day period, and all other persons entitled to do so, may request an adjudicatory hearing and Commission review on whether the decision of the Director should be reversed or modified. Such a request shall be in the form and manner required by Section 4, Part III, of Regulation No. 8.

Sincerely,

Randall Mathis

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cc: Norm Thomas
J. Randy Young
Dave Criner

Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation

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