



ARKANSAS ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT

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Dear Applicant,

RE: Individual 401 Certification request application information

The Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 Certification Rule (40 CFR § 121) requires state water quality certifications prior to the issuance of federal permits and licenses to ensure that proposed projects that may result in a discharge will not violate state water quality standards. Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment, Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is the certifying authority for 401 Water Quality Certifications for the state of Arkansas. Any 401 water quality certification request submitted to DEQ is required to meet the procedures and conditions of the Certification Rule. This includes a required pre-filling meeting request (40 CFR § 121.4) 30 calendar days before requesting an individual 401 Water Quality Certification. The Section 401 Certification Rule also includes specific application components (40 CFR § 121.5(b)) to be considered a complete request.

Project proponents may apply for an individual 401 water quality certification request to DEQ using eportal <https://eportal.adeq.state.ar.us/> Individual 401 form.

Note: You must have submitted a pre-filling meeting request to instreamactivityinfo@adeq.state.ar.us 30 days prior to submitting a certification request.

Additional information about the Arkansas 401 program and eportal instructions can be found at <https://www.adeq.state.ar.us/water/planning/instream/>

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Bryan Leamons'.

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