NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0030147

The applicant's mailing address is:

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As described in the application, the facility is located at the end of State Highway 515, about 10-miles northwest of the intersection with State Highway 522 and approximately 5-miles downriver (southwest) from the town of Questa in Taos County, New Mexico. The discharge from the facility is from three outfalls, all directly to the Red River. They are located as follows:

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Outfall 001 - Latitude 36° 41' 01.56" North, Longitude 105° 39' 07.03" West Outfall 002 - Latitude 36° 40' 59.81" North, Longitude 105° 39' 10.55" West Outfall 003 - Latitude 36° 40' 58.59" North, Longitude 105° 39' 13.94" West
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This is a renewal of a permit issued on December 21, 2011 with an effective date of February 1, 2012 and an expiration date of January 31, 2017. The following are changes from the previous permit:

- A. Added the Aldrin Monitoring Study.
- B. Revised total outflow from 12.56 to 11.605 MGD based on renewal application and confirmation by the applicant.
- C. Removed reporting requirements for Manganese and Nonylphenols based on RP analysis and data provided by the applicant.
- D. Deleted aluminum discharge limitations due to withdrawn of dissolved aluminum TMDL by the NMED and approved by US EPA.
- E. Mass loading for TSS will be reinstated to match the older NPDES permits. Non-inclusion of TSS mass loading in recent permit was an oversight.

A fact sheet is available for review.

## **State Certification:**

This notice also serves as Public Notice of the intent of the New Mexico Environment Department, Surface Water Quality Bureau to consider issuing Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 Certification. The purpose of such certification is to reasonably ensure that the permitted activities will be conducted in a manner that will comply with applicable New Mexico water quality standards, including the anti-degradation policy, and the statewide water quality management plan. The NPDES permit will not be issued until the certification requirements of Section 401 have been met.

If you want to comment on State Certification submit written comments within the 30-day period to:

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