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Senator Cecile Bledsoe, Co-Chairperson
Representative Jeff Wardlaw, Co-Chairperson
Arkansas Legislative Council
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: Quarterly Status Report on Hazardous Waste Removal Activities at the Trafalgar Road Site in Bella Vista, Arkansas

Dear Co-Chairs:

Pursuant to Section 2 of Act 345 of 2019, the Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) respectfully submits the following status report on efforts made to address the conditions at the Trafalgar Road site in Bella Vista, Arkansas.

In March 2019, DEQ contractors developed a removal action plan to address the conditions at the site. Phase 1 of the project was completed, which consisted of road construction and surface water runoff controls. As Phase 2 of the work was being developed, the Bella Vista Property Owners Association (BVPOA) agreed to take ownership over extinguishing the fire and site restoration. In May and June 2019, BVPOA contractors completed the fire suppression and they are currently working on official restoration plans.

DEQ expenses related to the fire suppression have ceased. Therefore, this report will conclude DEQ's requirement by Act 345 of 2019 to provide status reports to the ALC.

Sincerely,



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