FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS COMPLETELY

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To comply with Act 1104 of 1995, please complete the following Financial Impact Statement and file two copies with the questionnaire and proposed rules.

SHORT TITLE OF THIS RULE Regulation Establishing Water Quality Standards for Surface Waters of the State of Arkansas

1. Does this proposed, amended, or repealed rule or regulation have a financial impact?
   Yes X No

2. If you believe that the development of a financial impact statement is so speculative as to be cost prohibited, please explain.

3. If the purpose of this rule or regulation is to implement a federal rule or regulation, please give the incremental cost for implementing the regulation. Please indicate if the cost provided is the cost of the program.

   **Current Fiscal Year (2004)**  **Next Fiscal Year (2005)**

   No additional costs known at this time

4. What is the total estimated cost by fiscal year to any party subject to the proposed, amended, or repealed rule or regulation? Identify the party subject to the proposed regulation, and explain how they are affected.

   **Current Fiscal Year (2004)**  **Next Fiscal Year (2005)**

   Wastewater treatment facilities will be given at least three years to upgrade their facilities. Upgrades will cost from a few thousand dollars to several hundred thousand dollars. Upgrades will be required for a small percentage of the facilities. Costs will be highly variable dependent on the type of existing facility. The level of upgrade is unknown for most of the existing facilities. Therefore the total financial impact would be difficult to project accurately.

5. What is the total estimated cost by fiscal year to the agency to implement this regulation?

   **Current Fiscal Year (2004)**  **Next Fiscal Year (2005)**

   No additional costs known at this time