I support the changes proposed by ADEQ to Rule 5 and Rule 6 that would institute a permanent moratorium on issuance of permits for medium and large swine CAFOs in the Buffalo National River watershed for several reasons.

The karst geology in the Buffalo river area makes it unsuitable for concentrated animal feeding operations due to the many caves, springs and underground streams. Also, the soils in the Buffalo watershed are thin and are thus unable to contain the large amounts of animal waste that are produced by CAFOs. Permitting C&H was an admitted mistake. Only a ban on this type of facility can ensure that the mistake is not repeated in the future.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Jason Wakefield

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