Air Enforcement: Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality and Blytheville Graphite Product Manufacturing Facility Enter into Consent Administrative Order



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The Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ") and Mid-Continent Coal and Coke Company ("MC") entered into a February 19th Consent Administrative Orrder ("CAO") addressing an alleged violation of an Air Permit. See Case #: CAO-25-0099.

The CAO provides that MC operates a carbon and graphite product manufacturing facility in Blytheville, Arkansas.

The facility is stated to hold an Air Minor Source Permit.

MC is stated to have submitted a stack test report for particulate matter ("PM") testing conducted at the Carbon System Air Heater with Baghouse from June 10, 2025. The company was informed by the agency that the stack test report indicated that SN-01 was out of compliance.

MC submitted a stack test report for PM retesting conducted at SN-01 on August 27, 2025, which indicated that SN-01 was in compliance with the Permit at the time of retesting.

The CAO states that MC failed to comply with a delegated NSPS requirement (8 CAR § 41-204 and 40 C.F.R. § 60).

A civil penalty of $4,000 is assessed which could have been reduced to one-half if the document was signed and returned to ADEQ within twenty calendar days of its receipt.

A copy of the CAO can be found here.