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ADEM Providing Albertville Utilities Board with \$4.1 Million to Support Energy Efficiency Upgrades

MONTGOMERY - The Alabama Department of Environmental Management has announced that it is providing the City of Albertville Municipal Utilities Board with approximately \$4.1 million in low interest loans and grant funds to support energy efficiency upgrades at their wastewater pumping stations.

A portion of the funds, \$650,000, will originate from a clean air agreement that was signed between the Tennessee Valley Authority, the State of Alabama, and other entities while the remaining \$3.4 million will originate from the ADEM Clean Water State Revolving Fund.

The funds will be utilized to replace the George Wallace and Country Club Pump Stations with more energy efficient equipment. The installation of the new, energy efficient equipment will result in significantly reduced operational energy costs and an energy savings of approximately \$11,500 per year. Once installed, the energy efficient equipment will reduce energy consumption at the plant by over 118,000 kilowatt hours per year.

This marks the second consecutive year that ADEM has provided these settlement funds to local municipalities in the Tennessee Valley area. The ability to conserve energy and allow these municipalities to operate their wastewater treatment plants more efficiently provides environmental benefits and economic benefits for their citizens.

The ADEM Clean Water State Revolving Fund provides financial assistance for local communities to ensure the proper collection and treatment of wastewater. This allows local communities to support growth and economic development without jeopardizing local water quality.

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