

**Region 6 - Enforcement & Compliance Assurance Division**  
**INSPECTION REPORT**

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|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Inspection Date(s):                    | 12/03/2025                                               |                                 |
| Media Program:                         | Water (CWA)                                              |                                 |
| Regulatory Program(s)                  | Water (CWA) Brine Program (Oil & Gas inspection)         |                                 |
| Company Name:                          | <b>ArklaTx Operating Company, Inc.</b>                   |                                 |
| Facility Name:                         | Owenwood Snyder Tank Battery & Snyder Lease Tank Battery |                                 |
| Facility Physical Location:            | Off Ouachita Road 68 at 33.370980, -92.647258            |                                 |
| (city, state, zip code)                | Calion, AR 71724                                         |                                 |
| Mailing address:                       | 706 Ouachita Road 72                                     |                                 |
| (city, state, zip code)                | Smackover, AR 71762                                      |                                 |
| County/Parish:                         | Union County                                             |                                 |
| Facility Phone Number                  | 870-725-3666                                             |                                 |
| Facility Contact:                      | Larry L. Oswald<br>rvbauman@yahoo.com                    |                                 |
| FRS Number:                            | N/A                                                      |                                 |
| Identification/Permit Number:          | ARU002345                                                |                                 |
| Media Identifier Number:               | N/A                                                      |                                 |
| NAICS:                                 | 211111                                                   |                                 |
| SIC:                                   | 1311                                                     |                                 |
| Personnel participating in inspection: |                                                          |                                 |
| Uma Lad                                | EPA / Region 6 ECDW                                      | Inspector / Enforcement Officer |
| Kerri McCabe                           | EPA / Region 6 ECDW                                      | Inspector / Enforcement Officer |
| EPA Lead Inspector<br>Signature/Date   |                                                          |                                 |
|                                        | Uma Lad                                                  | Date                            |
| Supervisor<br>Signature/Date           |                                                          |                                 |
|                                        | Jeanne Eckhart                                           | Date                            |

## **Section I – INTRODUCTION**

### **PURPOSE OF THE INSPECTION**

EPA Region 6 inspectors Uma Lad and Kerri McCabe arrived at the ArklaTx Operating Company, Inc. / Owenwood Snyder Tank Battery & Snyder Lease Tank Battery, located off Ouachita Road 68 at 33.370980, -92.647258, at 2:00 PM on 12/03/2025 for an unannounced inspection. No facility representatives were present at the time of the inspection. The inspection was conducted by the authority of the Clean Water Act (CWA) to determine compliance with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations. There were no other federal, state, or local agency representatives present at the time of the inspection.

### **FACILITY DESCRIPTION**

EPA conducted an inspection on the ArklaTx Operating Company, Inc. / Owenwood Snyder Tank Battery & Snyder Lease Tank Battery, which consists of 12 storage tanks, with five (5) storage tanks that appear to be not in use or out of service.

## **Section II – OBSERVATIONS**

I observed the facility, associated signage, all storage tanks and secondary containment; see Appendix 1 (Photograph Log), Photo No. 1 through No. 4 and Photo No. 7. For additional GPS location and photo metadata, see Appendix 1.

I observed five (5) storage tanks that appeared to be not in use or out of service, see Photo No. 5 and No. 6.

I observed loose oil under piping inside secondary containment, see Photo No. 8.

I observed gaps under one (1) storage tank, see Photo No. 9

## **Section III – AREAS OF CONCERN**

No closing conference was held due to no ArklaTx Operating Company, Inc. staff present during the inspection. Areas of concern at the time of the inspection include:

- Tanks that appear “out of service” or “not in use.” If ArklaTx Operating Company, Inc. is attempting to permanently close the tanks, then 40 CFR §112.2 of the Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) rule requires that:
  - “(1) all liquid and sludge has been removed from each container and connecting line; and
  - (2) all connecting lines and piping have been disconnected from the container and blanked off, all valves (except ventilation valves) have been closed and locked, and
  - (3) conspicuous signs have been posted on each container stating that it is a permanently closed container and noting the date of closure.”
- Loose crude oil inside secondary containment, under piping
- Gaps under a storage tank

## **Section IV – FOLLOW UP**

Inspector will conduct follow-up phone calls with the company representatives over the coming weeks and months to ensure areas of concern are properly addressed.

**Section V – LIST OF APPENDICES**

Appendix 1 – Photograph Log – 9 photos taken 12/03/2025.

## Appendix 1

### Photograph Log

9 Photos



## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## Photograph Log

Photo No. 1

|                    |              |                                                                                                                                        |              |               |    |              |          |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|----|--------------|----------|
| Facility/Location: |              | Arklatx Operating Company, Inc. Owenwood Snyder Tank Battery & Snyder Lease Tank Battery off Ouachita Road 68 at 33.370980, -92.647258 |              |               |    |              |          |
| City:              | Norphlet     | County:                                                                                                                                | Union County | State:        | AR | Direction:   | NNW      |
| Filename:          | R0011084.JPG | Photo Date:                                                                                                                            |              | 12/03/2025    |    | Time:        | 14:05:02 |
| Photographer:      | Uma Lad      |                                                                                                                                        |              | Witness Name: |    | Kerri McCabe |          |



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|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|----------------|
| Description: | This photo was taken facing north-northwest and shows a facility sign. |            |                |
| Latitude:    | 33°22'15.528" N                                                        | Longitude: | 92°38'50.13" W |



## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## Photograph Log

Photo No. 2

|                    |              |                                                                                                                                        |              |               |    |              |          |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|----|--------------|----------|
| Facility/Location: |              | Arklatx Operating Company, Inc. Owenwood Snyder Tank Battery & Snyder Lease Tank Battery off Ouachita Road 68 at 33.370980, -92.647258 |              |               |    |              |          |
| City:              | Norphlet     | County:                                                                                                                                | Union County | State:        | AR | Direction:   | N        |
| Filename:          | R0011085.JPG | Photo Date:                                                                                                                            |              | 12/03/2025    |    | Time:        | 14:05:57 |
| Photographer:      | Uma Lad      |                                                                                                                                        |              | Witness Name: |    | Kerri McCabe |          |



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|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|----------------|
| Description: | This photo was taken facing north and shows a second facility sign. |            |                |
| Latitude:    | 33°22'15.378" N                                                     | Longitude: | 92°38'50.31" W |



## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## Photograph Log

Photo No. 3

|                    |              |                                                                                                                                        |              |               |    |              |          |
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| Facility/Location: |              | Arklatx Operating Company, Inc. Owenwood Snyder Tank Battery & Snyder Lease Tank Battery off Ouachita Road 68 at 33.370980, -92.647258 |              |               |    |              |          |
| City:              | Norphlet     | County:                                                                                                                                | Union County | State:        | AR | Direction:   | N        |
| Filename:          | R0011086.JPG | Photo Date:                                                                                                                            |              | 12/03/2025    |    | Time:        | 14:06:00 |
| Photographer:      | Uma Lad      |                                                                                                                                        |              | Witness Name: |    | Kerri McCabe |          |



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|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|----------------|
| Description: | This photo was taken facing north and shows an overview of the facility. |            |                |
| Latitude:    | 33°22'15.336" N                                                          | Longitude: | 92°38'50.31" W |



## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## Photograph Log

Photo No. 4

|                    |              |                                                                                                                                        |              |               |    |              |          |
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| Facility/Location: |              | Arklatx Operating Company, Inc. Owenwood Snyder Tank Battery & Snyder Lease Tank Battery off Ouachita Road 68 at 33.370980, -92.647258 |              |               |    |              |          |
| City:              | Norphlet     | County:                                                                                                                                | Union County | State:        | AR | Direction:   | N        |
| Filename:          | R0011087.JPG | Photo Date:                                                                                                                            |              | 12/03/2025    |    | Time:        | 14:06:16 |
| Photographer:      | Uma Lad      |                                                                                                                                        |              | Witness Name: |    | Kerri McCabe |          |



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| Description: | This photo was taken facing north and shows another overview of the facility. |            |                 |
| Latitude:    | 33°22'15.618" N                                                               | Longitude: | 92°38'50.154" W |



## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## Photograph Log

Photo No. 5

|                    |              |                                                                                                                                        |              |               |              |            |    |
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| Facility/Location: |              | Arklatx Operating Company, Inc. Owenwood Snyder Tank Battery & Snyder Lease Tank Battery off Ouachita Road 68 at 33.370980, -92.647258 |              |               |              |            |    |
| City:              | Norphlet     | County:                                                                                                                                | Union County | State:        | AR           | Direction: | NW |
| Filename:          | R0011088.JPG | Photo Date:                                                                                                                            | 12/03/2025   | Time:         | 14:05:13     |            |    |
| Photographer:      | Uma Lad      |                                                                                                                                        |              | Witness Name: | Kerri McCabe |            |    |



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| Description: | This photo was taken facing northwest and shows four (4) tanks that appear to be out of service or not in use at the facility. |            |                 |
| Latitude:    | 33° 22'15.816" N                                                                                                               | Longitude: | 92°38'49.638" W |



## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## Photograph Log

Photo No. 6

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| City:              | Norphlet     | County:                                                                                                                                | Union County | State:        | AR           | Direction: | N |
| Filename:          | R0011089.JPG | Photo Date:                                                                                                                            | 12/03/2025   | Time:         | 14:09:38     |            |   |
| Photographer:      | Uma Lad      |                                                                                                                                        |              | Witness Name: | Kerri McCabe |            |   |



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| Description: | This photo was taken facing north and shows one (1) tank that appears to be out of service or not in use. |            |                 |
| Latitude:    | 33°22'16.506" N                                                                                           | Longitude: | 92°38'49.818" W |



## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## Photograph Log

Photo No. 7

|                    |              |                                                                                                                                        |              |               |    |              |          |
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| Facility/Location: |              | Arklatx Operating Company, Inc. Owenwood Snyder Tank Battery & Snyder Lease Tank Battery off Ouachita Road 68 at 33.370980, -92.647258 |              |               |    |              |          |
| City:              | Norphlet     | County:                                                                                                                                | Union County | State:        | AR | Direction:   | WNW      |
| Filename:          | R0011090.JPG | Photo Date:                                                                                                                            |              | 12/03/2025    |    | Time:        | 14:06:47 |
| Photographer:      | Uma Lad      |                                                                                                                                        |              | Witness Name: |    | Kerri McCabe |          |



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| Description: | This photo was taken facing west-northwest and shows storage tanks at the facility. |            |                |
| Latitude:    | 33°22'16.158" N                                                                     | Longitude: | 92°38'49.44" W |



## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## Photograph Log

Photo No. 8

|                    |              |                                                                                                                                        |              |               |    |              |          |
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| Facility/Location: |              | Arklatx Operating Company, Inc. Owenwood Snyder Tank Battery & Snyder Lease Tank Battery off Ouachita Road 68 at 33.370980, -92.647258 |              |               |    |              |          |
| City:              | Norphlet     | County:                                                                                                                                | Union County | State:        | AR | Direction:   | NW       |
| Filename:          | R0011091.JPG | Photo Date:                                                                                                                            |              | 12/03/2025    |    | Time:        | 14:07:31 |
| Photographer:      | Uma Lad      |                                                                                                                                        |              | Witness Name: |    | Kerri McCabe |          |



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| Description: | This photo was taken facing northwest and shows loose oil under the pipes and valves and in a bucket inside secondary containment. |            |                |
| Latitude:    | 33°22'16.302" N                                                                                                                    | Longitude: | 92°38'49.41" W |



## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## Photograph Log

Photo No. 9

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| City:              | Norphlet     | County:                                                                                                                                | Union County | State:        | AR | Direction:   | W        |
| Filename:          | R0011092.JPG | Photo Date:                                                                                                                            |              | 12/03/2025    |    | Time:        | 14:07:56 |
| Photographer:      | Uma Lad      |                                                                                                                                        |              | Witness Name: |    | Kerri McCabe |          |



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| Description: | This photo was taken facing west and shows gaps under a storage tank. |            |                 |
| Latitude:    | 33°22'16.41" N                                                        | Longitude: | 92°38'49.434" W |