



January 25, 2012

Mr. Marc Harris
Florida Department of Environmental Protection
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Re: Ash Pond Certification for Plant Scholz (NPDES Permit FL0002283)

Dear Mr. Harris:

As required by Condition VIII.D.1 of the above referenced permit, all impoundments at Plant Scholz were inspected no later than January 31, 2012 by qualified personnel with knowledge and training in impoundment integrity.

This letter serves to certify that, as required by Condition VIII.D.2 of the above referenced permit that no breaches or structural defects resulting in the discharge to surface waters of the State and that no changes were observed which may indicate a potential compromise to impoundment integrity during the previous calendar year.

Additionally, as required by Condition VIII.D.2, this letter serves to certify that the ash pond provides the necessary minimum wet weather detention volume to contain the combined volume for all direct rainfall and all rainfall runoff to the pond resulting from the 10-year, 24-hour rainfall event and maximum dry weather plant waste flows which could occur during a 24-hour period.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Ms. Susan Kennedy at (850) 444-6153.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jim Vick".

James O. Vick
Environmental Affairs Director

Cc: (electronic): Kenny Peacock – Plant Scholz
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