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CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

John Powell
Environmental Services Administrator
City of Tallahassee
300 South Adams Street
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RE: Arvah B. Hopkins Electric Generating Station
DEP Case Number PA74-03
Fuel Oil Storage Tank Conversion

Dear Mr. Powell:

On February 16, 2009, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Siting Office (Department) received a letter from you regarding the City of Tallahassee's (City) Arvah B. Hopkins Generating Station. As stated in your letter, one of the activities contemplated in the Hopkins Unit 2 Repowering was the conversion of the 180,000 bbl No. 6 fuel oil storage tank to a No. 2 fuel oil storage tank.

As part of this project the City recently filed a request for an Alternate Procedure with the Department's Bureau of Petroleum Storage Systems for installation of an alternative dike field secondary containment system with continuous overfill detection equipment (TRAPS System). The conversion of the fuel oil storage tank was approved by the Department's Bureau of Petroleum Storage Systems by letter dated January 22, 2009. The conversion of this tank is also authorized in the facility's Air Construction Permit No. 0730003-009-AC.

The Siting Office recognizes the above change at the Hopkins Station, and based on review of the Conditions of Certification and your February 16 submittal, we have determined that the Conditions of Certification for this facility should be modified to incorporate the Alternate Procedure approval, to include conditions that specifically address the allowable fuels and fuel storage at the facility, and to update the conditions for consistency with more recent Department actions.

The above mentioned modification will be implemented as a Department initiated modification pursuant to 403.516(2)(c), F.S. therefore no fee will be required.

If you have any questions regarding this matter you may contact Cindy Mulkey (850) 245-2175 or me at (850) 245-2002.

Sincerely,

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