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**Bremo Power Station CCR Surface Impoundment:
West Ash Pond**



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1.0 CERTIFICATION

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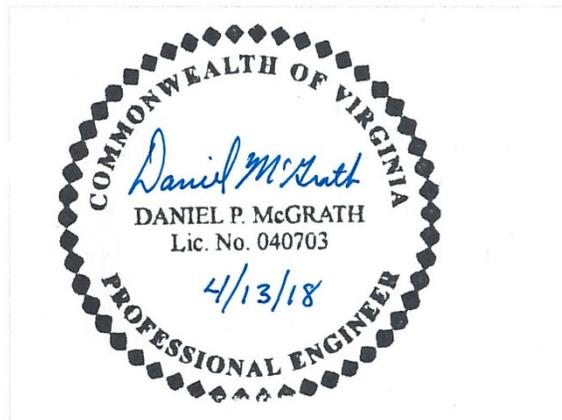
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2.0 INTRODUCTION

This Closure Plan was prepared for the Bremo Power Station's (Station) inactive Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) surface impoundment, the West Ash Pond (WAP). This Closure Plan was prepared in accordance with 40 CFR Part §257, Subpart D and is consistent with the requirements of 40 CFR §257.102 for closure of CCR surface impoundments and 40 CFR §257.100(e)(6)(i).

The Station, owned and operated by Virginia Electric and Power Company d/b/a Dominion Energy Virginia (Dominion), is located in Fluvanna County at 1038 Bremo Road, east of Route 15 (James Madison Highway) and north of the James River. The Station includes an inactive CCR surface impoundment, the WAP, as defined by the Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electric Utilities; Final Rule and Direct Final Rule (40 CFR §257; the CCR rule).

This impoundment is being closed as a CCR surface impoundment under the CCR rule provisions at 40 CFR §257. The WAP will be closed by removal of CCR pursuant to 40 CFR §257.102(c).

2.1 General Impoundment Information

The WAP is an approximately 17-acre impoundment that was used to settle and manage low-volume wastewaters, including CCR. In 2014, the Station converted from a coal-fired power plant to a natural gas-fired power plant. No new CCR has been placed in the WAP after the conversion. The WAP contained approximately 327,000 cubic yards (CY) of CCR prior to the start of excavation activities.

The WAP is regulated under the following permits:

- Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Permit No. VA0004138
- DEQ VPDES Construction General Permit No. VAR10H875
- Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) Operation and Maintenance Certificate, Inventory No. 06511

3.0 CLOSURE PLAN

3.1 Overview of Closure Approach

This plan provides for the closure of the WAP by removal of the CCR material. Closure is considered complete under 40 CFR 257.102 and 9 VAC20-81-810 when:

1. A professional engineer licensed in Virginia certifies all CCR has been removed from the units followed by an over-excavation of approximately 6 inches of soil.
2. The unit's downgradient groundwater monitoring wells do not exhibit levels in excess of a maximum contaminant limit (MCL) or established groundwater protection standard for any CCR Appendix IV constituent for two consecutive monitoring events.

At the time of writing, the majority of CCR in the WAP has been excavated and relocated to the North Ash Pond (NAP). Final CCR removal will either be consolidated in the existing on-site CCR surface impoundment, NAP, or disposed of in a designated off-site facility. After completing the removal of CCR, the embankments will be stabilized and/or removed and the remaining former pond area will be re-graded and left as a grassy open area. During and after closure, the existing network of groundwater monitoring wells will be sampled and tested to determine the monitored constituent concentrations required in 40 CFR §257 Appendix IV.

4.0 CLOSURE TIMEFRAMES

Table 1 below outlines the estimated sequence of scheduled closure activities.

Table 1: Closure Schedule

Activity	Tentative Date
Completion of CCR Removal	By October 2018
Completion of Closure Construction	By January 2019
Certification of Construction Completion	By April 2019

Closure is considered complete when the elements of this Closure Plan specified above have been performed and certified by a Professional Engineer licensed in the Commonwealth of Virginia. This certification will be included as part of a closure certification report. In accordance with 40 CFR §257.102(h), Dominion will prepare a notification of closure of the CCR unit within 30 days of completion of closure, and place the notification in the operating record.

5.0 INVENTORY REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL

5.1 Waste Removal, Decontamination and Disposal

The protocol for closure by removal will involve removing accumulated CCR such that no residual materials remain visible, followed by over-excavating the removal footprint by approximately 6 inches. Removed CCR and CCR-mixed soil will either be consolidated in the NAP or taken to an off-site disposal facility. To facilitate stormwater management, construction, and/or structural stabilization of embankments or excavations, closure by removal of areas within the pond may be achieved in phases. Phased closures may be sequenced as necessary to support traffic patterns, stormwater controls, etc.

Material removal against embankments may involve excavation of the upstream embankment face to near-vertical condition. An evaluation of closure by removal and associated documentation will be promptly executed by a Virginia licensed professional engineer to ensure a removal certification can be made. Immediately after excavation and inspection of these areas for certification, fill soil will be placed and compacted against the embankment to re-establish stable slopes of no steeper than 2 horizontal to 1 vertical (2H:1V). After CCR removal and certification, the WAP will be graded to drain. Vegetative stabilization will be established to prevent erosion. The area will be maintained as a grassy open area.

5.2 Sampling and Testing Program

After removal of the 6-inch over-excavation material, the area will be visually inspected to verify the CCR and 6-inch over-excavation have been removed.

Verification surveys of the pond closure will be prepared by a Virginia-licensed Land Surveyor and will consist of a survey of the “visually clean” surface and a survey of the “over-excavation” surface to verify the minimum 6-inch removal. Certification of the closure by removal will be provided by a Virginia-licensed Professional Engineer.

6.0 CLOSURE OF SUPPORT PONDS AND BASINS

There are no supporting ponds or basins associated with the WAP.

7.0 CLOSURE IMPLEMENTATION

7.1 Posting

One sign will be posted at the site entrance to the WAP notifying all persons of the final closure and prohibition against further receipt of CCR. Unauthorized access to the site will be controlled by fencing and lockable gates across the access roads.

7.2 Cost Estimate

The estimated cost for closure of the WAP is \$2,739,739.

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