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RE: FINAL Assessment of Dam Safety of Coal Combustion Surface Impoundments at the Baldwin Energy Complex

Dear Mr. Hoffman,

In accordance with our proposal 01.P0000177.11 dated March 28, 2011, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Contract No. EP10W001313, Order No. EP-B115-00049, GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc. (GZA) has completed our assessment of the Baldwin Energy Complex Coal Combustion Waste (CCW) Impoundments located in Baldwin, Illinois. The site visit was conducted on May 24 and 25, 2011. The purpose of our efforts was to provide the EPA with a site specific assessment of the impoundments to assist EPA in assessing the structural stability of the impoundments under the authority of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) Section 104(e). We are submitting one hard copy and one CD-ROM copy of this Final Report directly to the EPA.

Based on our visual assessment, and in accordance with the EPA's criteria, the Primary Fly Ash Pond, Secondary Pond, Secondary Fly Ash Pond, Intermediate Pond, and Final Pond are currently in **POOR** condition in our opinion. Further discussion of our evaluation and recommended actions are presented in the Task 3 Dam Assessment Report. The report includes: (a) a completed Coal Combustion Dam Inspection Checklist Form for each Basin; (b) a field sketch; and (c) selected photographs with captions. Our services and report are subject to the Limitations found in **Appendix A** and the Terms and Conditions of our contract agreement.

We are happy to have been able to assist you with this assessment and appreciate the opportunity to continue to provide you with dam engineering consulting services. Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions or comments regarding the content of this Task 3 Dam Assessment Report.

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#### PREFACE

The assessment of the general condition of the dams/impoundment structures reported herein was based upon available data and visual inspections. Detailed investigations and analyses involving topographic mapping, subsurface investigations, testing and detailed computational evaluations were beyond the scope of this report.

In reviewing this report, it should be realized that the reported condition of the dams and/or impoundment structures was based on observations of field conditions at the time of inspection, along with data available to the inspection team. In cases where an impoundment is lowered or drained prior to inspection, such action, while improving the stability and safety of the dam, removes the normal load on the structure and may obscure certain conditions, which might otherwise be detectable if inspected under the normal operating environment of the structure.

It is critical to note that the condition of the dam and/or impoundment structures depends on numerous and constantly changing internal and external conditions, and is evolutionary in nature. It would be incorrect to assume that the reported condition of the dam will continue to represent the condition of the dam at some point in the future. Only through continued care and inspection can there be any chance that unsafe conditions be detected.

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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**



This Assessment Report presents the results of a visual assessment of the Dynegy Midwest Generation, LLC (Dynegy) – Baldwin Energy Complex (BEC) Coal Combustion Waste (CCW) Impoundments located at 10901 Baldwin Road, Baldwin, Illinois. These assessments were performed on May 24 and 25, 2011 by representatives of GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc (GZA), accompanied by representatives of Dynegy.

The BEC is a three-unit coal-fired power plant, with a maximum generating capacity of approximately 1800 Megawatts. Commercial operation of the facility began in the 1970's. Unlined earthen embankment CCW Impoundments (Primary Fly Ash Pond, Intermediate Pond, and Final Pond) were constructed in conjunction with the BEC facility for the purpose of storing and disposing non-recyclable CCW from the BEC facility and clarification of water prior to discharge. The Primary Fly Ash Pond (PFAP) was expanded in 1981 to the south and west and included the area that was later split into the Secondary Fly Ash Pond (SFAP). The PFAP was originally constructed with 35 foot embankments and was expanded vertically in 1989 with a 20 foot 'raise'. In response to a failure of the southern embankment of the PFAP in February 1995, an Intermediate Embankment was constructed and resulted in the separation of the SFAP from the PFAP. A berm (Secondary Dike) was constructed upstream of the Intermediate Pond in approximately 1998 and resulted in the construction of the Secondary Pond.

Water and CCW is discharged into the PFAP where the CCW is allowed to settle and water is discharged into the SFAP and the Secondary Pond. Solids are further settled in the SFAP prior to water discharge to the Secondary Pond. Water flows sequentially through the Secondary, Intermediate and Final Ponds for further clarification prior to discharge of the water near the southwest corner of the property.

For the purposes of this EPA-mandated assessment, the sizes of the impoundments were based on U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) criteria. Based on the maximum crest height of 55 feet and a storage volume of approximately 10,000 acre-feet, the PFAP is classified as an **Intermediate** sized structure. Based on the maximum crest height of 55 feet and a current storage volume of 1,650 acre-feet, the SFAP Impoundment is classified as an **Intermediate** sized structure. Based on the maximum crest height of 12 feet and a storage volume of approximately 190 acre-feet, the Secondary Pond is classified as a **Small** sized structure. Based on the maximum crest height of 20 feet and a storage volume of approximately 40 acre-feet, the Intermediate Pond is classified as a **Small** sized structure. Based on the maximum crest height of 32 feet and a storage volume of approximately 72 acre-feet, the Final Pond is classified as a **Small** sized structure.

According to guidelines established by the USACE, dams with a storage volume less than 1,000 acre-feet and/or a height less than 40 feet are classified as Small sized structures and dams with a storage volume between 1,000 acre-feet and 50,000 acre-feet and/or a height between 40 feet and 100 feet are classified as Intermediate sized structures.

Under the EPA classification system, as presented on page 2 of the EPA check list (**Appendix C**) and Definitions section (**Appendix B**), it is GZA's opinion that the PFAP, SFAP and the Final Pond would be considered as having a <u>Significant</u> hazard potential. The hazard potential rating is

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based on no probable loss of human life due to failure and the potential environmental impacts outside of Utility owned property.

Under the EPA classification system, as presented on page 2 of the EPA check list (**Appendix C**) and Definitions section (**Appendix B**), it is GZA's opinion that the Secondary Pond and the Intermediate Pond would be considered as having a <u>Low</u> hazard potential. The hazard potential rating is based on no probable loss of human life due to failure and the potential environmental impacts would likely be limited to Utility owned property.

### Assessments

In general, the overall condition of the PFAP impoundment was judged to be <u>**POOR**</u>. The PFAP impoundment was found to have the following deficiencies:

- 1. Thick vegetation and trees along the upstream and downstream slopes;
- 2. Minor potholes and rutting along the crest gravel access road;
- 3. Damaged discharge pipe from the northern decant;
- 4. The absence of erosion protection on the embankment near the discharge location of the northern decant has allowed erosion of the embankment;
- 5. No hydraulic/hydrologic analysis has been performed to confirm adequate freeboard and decant capacity at the design storm event;
- 6. The stability analysis completed does not account for storm event loading conditions; and,
- 7. No stability analysis was provided for the Intermediate Embankment.

In general, the overall condition of the SFAP impoundment was judged to be <u>**POOR**</u>. The SFAP impoundment was found to have the following deficiencies:

- 1. Thick vegetation and trees along the upstream and downstream slopes;
- 2. Minor potholes and rutting along the crest gravel access road;
- 3. Scarp present on the downstream slope of the northern embankment;
- 4. The stability analysis for the SFAP is incomplete for portions of the embankments and does not indicate that the embankments meet generally accepted levels of stability for the sections analyzed; and
- 5. No hydraulic/hydrologic analysis has been performed to confirm adequate freeboard and decant capacity at the design storm event.

In general, the overall condition of the Secondary Pond impoundment was judged to be **POOR**. The Secondary Pond impoundment was found to have the following deficiencies:

- 1. No hydraulic/hydrologic analysis has been performed to confirm adequate freeboard, decant and overflow spillway capacity; and,
- 2. No seepage and/or stability analysis has been performed for the Secondary Dike.

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In general, the overall condition of the Intermediate Pond impoundment was judged to be **<u>POOR</u>**. The Intermediate Pond impoundment was found to have the following deficiencies:

- 1. Thick vegetation and trees along the upstream and downstream slopes;
- 2. Potholes along the crest gravel access road;
- 3. Concrete covering the downstream slope prohibits monitoring of potential erosion;
- 4. No hydraulic/hydrologic analysis has been performed to confirm adequate freeboard and decant/overflow spillway capacity;
- 5. In GZA's opinion, the stability analysis for the impoundment was incomplete; and,

Additional analysis was completed and provided to GZA after issuance of the DRAFT report that satisfies our recommendation. No further analysis is recommended at this time.

6. No evaluation has been conducted to verify the stability of the overflow section against piping or fines erosion.

In general, the overall condition of the Final Pond impoundment was judged to be **<u>POOR</u>**. The Final Pond impoundment was found to have the following deficiencies:

- 1. Thick vegetation and trees along the downstream slopes;
- 2. Minor potholes along the crest gravel access road;
- 3. No hydraulic/hydrologic analysis has been performed to confirm adequate freeboard and decant/overflow spillway capacity;
- 4. In GZA's opinion, the stability analysis for the impoundment was incomplete; and,

Additional analysis was completed and provided to GZA after issuance of the DRAFT report that satisfies our recommendation. No further analysis is recommended at this time.

5. No evaluation has been conducted to verify the stability of the overflow section against piping or fines erosion.

The following recommendations and remedial measures generally describe the recommended approach to address current deficiencies at the impoundments. Prior to undertaking recommended maintenance, repairs, or remedial measures, the applicability of permits needs to be determined for activities that may occur under the jurisdiction of the appropriate regulatory agencies.

GZA recommends that BEC/Dynegy conduct the following studies and analysis:

1. Conduct an analysis of the hydraulic/hydrologic condition of the impoundments to establish the rise in water level that occurs during the 100-year, 24-hour rain event to confirm that adequate freeboard is maintained and adequate decant and spillway capacity is available. The loading conditions established during the design storm event should be used in the evaluation of the seepage and stability evaluation of the embankments.



- 2. Address the deficiencies noted in Section 2.6 and Section 3.1 for the stability and seepage analysis previously conducted for the impoundments and establish a complete seepage and stability analysis for each impoundment.
- 3. Evaluate the potential for piping and fines erosion along the overflow sections of the Ash Pond Dike and the Settling Pond Dike.
- 4. Moist soil conditions were observed along the downstream slope and/or toe of the southern embankment of the SFAP. This condition may indicate the presence of seepage in that area and should be evaluated. We recommend removing all trees on the downstream slope and toe area and evaluation of the moist soil conditions.
- 5. Develop an Emergency Action Plan.

### **Recurrent Operation & Maintenance Recommendations**

GZA recommends the following operation and maintenance level activities:

- 1. Increased mowing of the grasses on the embankments to facilitate assessments and reduce the risk of burrowing animals;
- 2. Repair the potholes present in the gravel crest access roads. Grade the road to provide better drainage and reduce future potholing; and,
- 3. Clear trees and other deep rooted vegetation from the slopes and crests of the embankments.

# **Repair Recommendations**

GZA recommends the following repairs to address observed deficiencies that may affect the stability of the embankments. The recommendations may require design by a professional engineer and construction contractor experienced in impoundment construction.

- 1. Repair the discharge pipe and the embankment erosion near the discharge pipe from PFAP's northern decant. Protect the embankment with riprap or other erosion control features.
- 2. Remove the concrete located on the downstream slope of the Ash Pond Dike. Repair any erosion observed beneath the concrete and replace with fill engineered to provide a stable embankment that is not susceptible to erosion or piping.
- 3. Pending the results of the hydraulic/hydrologic analysis, modify the design or operation of the impoundments to provide adequate capacity.
- 4. Pending the results of the complete seepage and stability analysis for each impoundment, modify the design or operation of the impoundments to provide conditions that result in embankments that meet the generally accepted factors of safety.

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### Alternatives

There are no practical alternatives to the repairs itemized above.



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### **1.0 DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT**

1.1 General



1.1.1 Authority

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), has retained GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc. (GZA) to perform a visual assessment and develop a report of conditions for the Dynegy Midwest Generation, LLC, (Dynegy, Owner) Baldwin Energy Complex (BEC, Site) Coal Combustion Waste (CCW) Impoundments in Randolph County, Illinois. This assessment was authorized by the EPA under the authority of the Comprehensive Environmental response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) Section 104(e). This assessment and report were performed in accordance with Request for Quote (RFQ) RFQ-DC-16, dated March 16, 2011 and EPA Contract No. EP10W001313, Order No. EP-B11S-00049. The assessment generally conformed to the requirements of the Federal Guidelines for Dam Safety<sup>1</sup>, and this report is subject to the limitations contained in **Appendix A** and the Terms and Conditions of our Contract Agreement.

1.1.2 Purpose of Work

The purpose of this investigation was to visually inspect and evaluate the present condition of the impoundments and appurtenant structures (the management unit) to attempt to identify conditions that may adversely affect their structural stability and functionality, to note the extent of any deterioration that may be observed, review the status of maintenance and needed repairs, and to evaluate the conformity with current design and construction standards of care.

The investigation was divided into five parts: 1) obtain and review available reports, investigations, and data from the Owner pertaining to the impoundment and appurtenant structures; 2) perform a review with the Owner of available design, assessment, and maintenance data and procedures for the management unit; 3) perform a visual assessment of the site; 4) prepare and submit a field assessment checklist; and 5) prepare and submit a draft and a final report presenting the evaluation of the structure, including recommendations and proposed remedial actions.

1.1.3 Definitions

To provide the reader with a better understanding of the report, definitions of commonly used terms associated with dams are provided in **Appendix B**. Many of these terms may be included in this report. The terms are presented under common categories associated with dams which include: 1) orientation; 2) dam components; 3) size classification; 4) hazard classification; 5) general; and 6) condition rating.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> FEMA/ICODS, April 2004: http://www.ferc.gov/industries/hydropower/safety/guidelines/fema-93.pdf

### 1.2 Description of Project

### 1.2.1 Location



The BEC is located about <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> -miles north of Baldwin in Randolph County, Illinois and the entrance to the Site is on Baldwin Road. The BEC CCW impoundments are located about <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> mile southwest of the power plant, at approximately latitude 38° 11' 33" North and longitude 89° 52' 05" West. A Site locus of the impoundments and surrounding area is shown in **Figure 1**. An aerial photograph of the impoundments and surrounding area is provided as **Figure 2**. The impoundments can be accessed by vehicles from an earthen access road from the BEC.

### 1.2.2 Owner/Caretaker

The CCW impoundments are owned by Dynegy Midwest Generation, LLC. and operated by the BEC.

	Dam Owner/Caretaker	
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City, State, Zip	Baldwin, Illinois 62217	
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Emergency Phone	911	

### 1.2.3 Purpose of the Impoundments

The BEC is a three-unit coal-fired power plant, with a maximum generating capacity of approximately 1,800 Megawatts. Commercial operation of the facility began in the 1970's. Unlined earthen embankment CCW Impoundments (Primary Fly Ash Pond, Intermediate Pond, and Final Pond) were constructed in conjunction with the BEC facility for the purpose of storing and disposing non-recyclable CCW from the BEC facility and clarification of water prior to discharge. The Primary Fly Ash Pond (PFAP) was expanded in 1981 to the south and west and included the area that was later split into the Secondary Fly Ash Pond (SFAP). The PFAP was originally constructed with 35 foot embankments and was expanded vertically in 1989 with a 20 foot 'raise'. In response to a failure of the southern embankment of the PFAP in February 1995, an Intermediate Embankment was constructed and resulted in the separation of the SFAP from the PFAP. A berm (Secondary Dike) was constructed upstream of the Intermediate Pond in approximately 1998 and resulted in the construction of the Secondary Pond.

Process water and sluiced CCW are discharged into the PFAP, where the CCW is allowed to settle and water is discharged (decanted) into the SFAP and the Secondary Pond. Solids are further settled in the SFAP prior to water discharge to the adjoining Secondary Pond (refer to Figure 2). Water flows sequentially through the Secondary, Intermediate and Final

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Ponds for further clarification prior to discharge via the decant structure located near the southwest corner of the property.

1.2.4 Description of the Primary Fly Ash Pond and Appurtenances

The original embankments of the PFAP, which were constructed in 1969, were designed by Sargent & Lundy. The 1981 expansion and 1989 vertical expansion were designed by Illinois Power Company. Following the failure of a portion of the southern embankment in 1995, a failure analysis was conducted by Woodward Clyde Consultants (Failure Analysis).<sup>2</sup> Although it was not one of the remedial options presented by Woodward Clyde, an Intermediate Embankment was designed by Illinois Power Company and was constructed within the PFAP in response to the 1995 failure. The following description of the impoundment is based on information provided in the Failure Analysis, Sargent & Lundy Design Drawings,<sup>3</sup> Illinois Power Company Drawings,<sup>4</sup> other information received from BEC, and observations made by GZA during our Site visit.

The PFAP Impoundment is located southwest of the BEC. The PFAP functions as a sedimentation basin for bottom ash, fly ash and scrubber solids which are discharged into two distinct areas of the impoundment for ease of recycling and disposal. The impoundment receives bottom ash and other scrubber solid slurry in the northern portion of the impoundment through a series of 10-inch diameter steel pipes. Water used to sluice bottom ash and other scrubber solids is discharged to the Secondary Pond through a decant structure which is located along the western embankment of the impoundment. The location of the discharge pipes and decant structure is shown in **Figure 3**.

Fly ash is sluiced into the southern portion of the PFAP for storage and disposal of the fly ash through a 12-inch diameter steel pipe. Fly ash is allowed to settle and water is discharged from the southern portion of the PFAP through five 12-inch diameter decant pipes which are located along the Intermediate Embankment. The location of the decant structures and discharge pipes is shown in **Figure 3**.

The PFAP Impoundment consists of an earthen embankment with a crest length of approximately 3.2 miles and a general height (from the lowest downstream toe elevation to the crest of the impoundment) of approximately 15 feet along the northern embankments and approximately 55 feet along the southern embankments. The following description of the PFAP embankments was provided in the Failure Analysis:

### **"2.1 ORIGINAL DIKE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION**

The original dike was constructed during November 1969 using "earthfill" and "impervious fill" material as shown in the drawings. We presume both types of material were actually low plastic clay fill obtained on-site within the present pond area. The original embankment section had a 15-ft wide crest and 3H:1V side slopes between Station 46+66 and 58+77. (Dike stationing refers to stationing for the original dike construction as shown on construction drawings.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Geotechnical Investigation, Baldwin Power Station: Fly Ash Pond South Dike, Balwin, Illinois" by Woodward-Clyde Consultants, dated September 7, 1995. (Failure Analysis).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Several Sargent & Lundy drawings from the original impoundment design were available. A complete list of the drawings reviewed is provided in Appendix F.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The 1981 expansion, 1989 Vertical raise and the intermediate embankment were designed by Illinois Power Company Engineers.

The failure area is between Station 50+00 and 57+00.) The crest elevation was el.  $435\pm$ .



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Between Stations 46+66 and 58+77, a 6-inch thick gravel erosion protection layer was placed on the downstream slope surface of the dike between el. 408 ft and 400 ft. A 2-ft thick horizontal sand and gravel blanket drain was placed at the embankment toe and extended approximately 50 ft upstream beneath the embankment. A flat-bottomed drainage ditch was built about 40 ft downstream of the embankment toe. From the embankment toe, the ground surface was sloped at approximately 2 percent towards the drainage ditch. Upstream of the upstream toe at el. 415, the embankment slope transitions at a 6H:1V slope.

Between Station 58+77 and Station 81+00, the side slope changes to 2.5H:1V and the blanket drain was eliminated.

*The top of the dike had a* 6-*inch thick layer of bottom ash surfacing along its entire length.* 

No construction records were provided documenting placement and compaction of 1969 embankment fill, although tests in this study show that it appears to be well compacted.

# 2.2 1989 DIKE RAISE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

In 1989, the raise was constructed by first end-dumping bottom ash into the pond against the upstream slope of the embankment and over the fly ash deposited on the pond bottom. The bottom ash created a working platform above the water (Figure 3). The maximum total thickness of this bottom ash material is estimated to be approximately 35 ft. A haul road was built along the top of the original embankment to facilitate construction of the bottom ash working platform. It was constructed by placing a driving surface of bottom ash along the crest of the dike and stabilizing the ash with lime and fly ash. A pozzolonic reaction occurred between the bottom ash and the lime/fly ash, creating a surface resembling a weak concrete. The surface of the bottom ash working platform was placed against the upstream face to EL. 436 ft, or approximately 1 ft below the top of the roadway (Figure 2). The fact that the bottom ash was placed to a level above the crest of the lower dike, plus the presence of the stabilized bottom ash roadway, are important factors in the failure, as noted later.

Within the water-inundated area, between approximately Stations 46+50 and Station 75+00, clay fill was placed directly on the surface of the bottom ash working platform to the crest of the present upper dike (EL. 456), a height  $20 \pm ft$  above the original embankment crest.

The downstream slope of the addition was placed as an uninterrupted extension of the original 3H:1V downstream embankment face. (Survey data show that the actual slope is somewhat steeper, about 2.77H:1V) This resulted in the centerline of the upper dike being set back in the upstream direction approximately 60 ft from the original dike centerline. The remainder of the embankment section consisted of a 16 ft wide crest and an upstream face with a 2.5H:1V slope to the top of the bottom ash working platform.

To the east of Station 75+00, the height of the original dike was relatively small and resulted in the toe of the dike being setback relative to the toe of the higher portion of the dike further to the west.

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Between Station 65+00 and Station 74+00, a transition section was constructed where the dike centerline moved from the setback position to a position to coincide with the original dike centerline (Figure 4). The added height of the addition over the original embankment centerline results in an absence of a setback in the toe of the eastern portion of the embankment relative to the western portion. The cross-sectional template of the eastern portion of the dike matched that of the western portion. Compacted fill within the transition section and that further to the east consisted of clay and was placed directly on the existing ground surface.

Construction records indicate that the bottom ash (type "B" fill) on the upstream side of the lower dike was not compacted except for the top 12 inches, which was compacted to 90 percent of its maximum dry density according to ASTM D698.

The fill for the 1989 raise was borrowed from an area north of the ash pond north dike. It was generally silty clay, although some clayey silt was also used. It was reportedly compacted in lifts to 95 percent of its maximum dry density according to ASTM D698. Field density tests by PSI indicate that the specified level of compaction was achieved for all materials tested, although the actual test locations are difficult to verify."

A typical design cross section of the 1969 southern embankment of the PFAP is shown in **Figure 4**. The 'as built' cross section of the embankments after the 1989 raise, as recreated by Woodward Clyde and documented in the Failure Analysis, is provided as **Figure 5**. Based on the upstream construction shown on Figure 5, the 1989 raise was partially constructed over wet CCW.

After the failure of the western portion of the southern embankment the normal pool level in the SFAP area was lowered to an elevation of approximately 430 feet (MSL) and the elevation of the embankment lowered to relieve stress on the embankment Subsequently, the Intermediate Embankment was constructed to allow continued operation of the PFAP at a higher The Intermediate Embankment consists of an earthfill embankment that was elevation. constructed with a crest elevation of El. 444 feet MSL in 1996. The embankment was raised to approximately El 455 feet MSL in 1999 using upstream slope design. Based on the information provided in the Illinois Power Company Drawings, the Intermediate Embankment was constructed on the existing fly ash using clay fill. Clay fill was then used to raise the dike to the final elevation. Three stabilizing berms were constructed perpendicular to the downstream slope of the Intermediate Embankment into the SFAP. The stabilizing berms extend 207 feet to 437 feet southwest of the downstream slope of the Intermediate Embankment and are approximately 4 feet to 6 feet high. The slopes of the Intermediate Embankment were constructed with 2H:1V and 2.5H:1V slopes, respectively. A plan view of the Intermediate Embankment is provided as Figure 6.

An overflow spillway that is approximately 2 feet deep and 200 feet wide with an invert elevation of 455 feet MLS was constructed in the Intermediate Embankment. The spillway and downstream slope was lined with 12-inch riprap. The water elevation in the southern portion of the PFAP is controlled using five (5) decant pipes that were 12-inches in diameter without trash racks or stop logs. The typical cross sections and decant pipes through the Intermediate Embankment are provided on **Figure 7**.

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No drawings were available for the decant structure that transmits water from the northern portion of the PFAP to the Secondary Pond. Based on GZA's observations, the decant structure for the northern portion of the PFAP has an adjustable intake height to regulate the water elevation. The water from the PFAP that enters the northern decant structure discharges upstream of and flows into the Secondary Pond. There was no instrumentation observed at the impoundment.



#### 1.2.5 Description of the Secondary Fly Ash Pond Impoundment and Appurtenances

The SFAP was separated from the PFAP after construction of the Intermediate Embankment in 1996. Therefore, the design history for the SFAP follows that described in Section 1.2.4 for the PFAP. The following description of the impoundment is based on information provided in the Failure Analysis,<sup>5</sup> Sargent & Lundy Design Drawings,<sup>6</sup> Illinois Power Company Drawings,<sup>7</sup> other information received from BEC, and observations made by GZA during our Site visit.

The SFAP is located southwest of the BEC and west of the PFAP. The impoundment was constructed in 1969 and serves as a settling pond and final disposal location for CCW generated by the BEC. The SFAP receives water and unsettled solids from the fly ash portion of the PFAP through a series of five decant pipes which extend through the Intermediate Embankment. Water is discharged from the SFAP to the Secondary Pond through a decant structure which is located near the northwest embankment of the SFAP. The location of the discharge pipes from the PFAP and the decant structure are shown in **Figure 8**.

The SFAP consists of an earthfill embankment with a crest length of approximately 1.3 miles and a general height (from the lowest toe elevation to the crest of impoundment) of approximately 30 feet along the northern embankment and approximately 55 feet along the southern portion. The design of the exterior embankments and the Intermediate Embankment that makes up the SFAP are as described in Section 1.2.4 for the PFAP. Please refer to Section 1.2.4 for details of the design.

Instrumentation at the impoundment includes one well, nine vibrating wire piezometers, and four inclinometers in the area of the 1995 failure. The instrument locations are shown on **Figure 9**.

1.2.6 Description of the Secondary Pond Impoundment and Appurtenances

The Secondary Pond is a cross-valley impoundment that was created when the Secondary Dike was constructed upstream of the Ash Pond Dike in the Intermediate Pond. The Secondary Dike was designed by Illinois Power Company. The following description of

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> "Geotechnical Investigation, Baldwin Power Station: Fly Ash Pond South Dike, Baldwin, Illinois" by Woodward-Clyde Consultants, dated September 7, 1995. (Failure Analysis).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Several Sargent & Lundy drawings from the original impoundment design were available. A complete list of the drawings reviewed is provided in Appendix F.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The 1981 expansion, 1989 Vertical raise and the intermediate embankment were designed by Illinois Power Company Engineers.

the impoundment is based on information provided in the Illinois Power Company Drawings,<sup>8</sup> other information received from BEC, and observations made by GZA during our Site visit.

The Secondary Pond is located southwest of the BEC and west of the PFAP and SFAP. The impoundment was separated from the Intermediate Pond by the Secondary Dike and serves as a settling pond for solids that may not have settled in the PFAP and the SFAP. The Secondary Pond receives water and unsettled solids from the PFAP through a discharge pipe which is located northeast of the Secondary Dike. Water and solids enter the Secondary Pond from the SFAP through a decant structure and discharge pipe which is located along the southern slope of the valley. Water is discharged from the Secondary Pond into the Intermediate Pond through a series of six (6) 18 inch steel decant pipes that extend through the Secondary Dike. The location of the discharge pipes from the PFAP and SFAP and the decant pipes through the Secondary Dike are shown in **Figure 10**.

The Secondary Pond is formed by a cross valley embankment (Secondary Dike) with a crest length of approximately 700 feet and a general height (from the lowest toe elevation to the crest of impoundment) of approximately 12 feet. Based on the information provided in the Illinois Power Company Drawings, the Secondary Dike was constructed by placing bottom ash on the existing ground surface in the pond area to create a working pad above the partially dewatered pond. Fill of an unknown nature was placed on the bottom ash to form the embankment making it difficult to assess whether any part of the impoundment was constructed with 4H:1V upstream and 2H:1V downstream slopes and the crest was 15 feet wide. The embankments were designed with 18-inches of riprap on the upstream and downstream embankments and a 15-foot wide gravel access road on the crest. A 50-foot wide, open channel spillway was designed and constructed along the embankment with an elevation of 400 feet MSL. Typical design cross sections of the Secondary Dike and details of the decant pipes are shown on **Figure 11**.

Instrumentation at the impoundment includes a flow meter located on one of the decant pipes as shown in **Figure 11**.

1.2.7 Description of the Intermediate Pond Impoundment and Appurtenances

The Intermediate Pond is a cross-valley impoundment that was designed by Sargent & Lundy. During design and construction, the embankment that forms the Intermediate Pond was referred to as the Ash Pond Dike<sup>9</sup>. The following description of the impoundment is based on the Sargent & Lundy Design Drawings,<sup>10</sup> information received from BEC, and observations made by GZA during our Site visit.

The Intermediate Pond is located southwest of the BEC, west of the PFAP, and is adjacent to and downstream of the Secondary Pond as shown in **Figure 2**. The impoundment was constructed in 1969 and serves as a settling pond and final settling and disposal location for

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The 1981 expansion, 1989 Vertical raise and the intermediate embankment were designed by Illinois Power Company Engineers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The term "Ash Pond Dike" was used in the Sargent & Lundy Design Drawings and will be used herein for convenience and consistency.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Several Sargent & Lundy drawings from the original impoundment design were available. A complete list of the drawings reviewed is provided in Appendix F.

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fly ash generated by the BEC. The Intermediate Pond originally extended upward into the valley several hundred feet but was modified into the current configuration with the construction of the Secondary Dike. The Intermediate Pond receives water and unsettled solids from the Secondary Pond through the Secondary Pond decant pipes. Water is discharged from the Intermediate Pond into the Final Pond through a decant structure which is located along the Ash Pond Dike. The approximate location of the discharge pipes from the Secondary Pond and the decant structure are shown in **Figure 12**. Design details of the decant structure design are shown in **Figure 14**.

The Ash Pond Dike consists of an earthfill embankment with a crest length of approximately 900 feet and a general height (from the lowest downstream toe elevation to the crest of impoundment) of approximately 20 feet at the decant structure.

Based on the information provided in the Sargent & Lundy Design Drawings, the Ash Pond Dike was designed using an "impervious fill" core and "earthfill" shell. Based on information contained in the Failure Analysis, the impervious fill likely consisted of lean clay and the earthfill likely consists of loess deposits as both materials were generally available on the Site. It does not appear that the impoundment was built over wet ash, slag, or other unsuitable materials. The embankment was designed with 3H:1V upstream slopes and 3.5H:1V downstream slopes. The upstream and downstream slopes were designed with a one (1) foot thick layer of sand and gravel over the earthfill. A one (1) foot, 1.5 feet, and 2 feet thick layer of riprap was designed over the sand and gravel on the upstream, crest and downstream slopes, respectively. Gravel was used to fill in the voids of the riprap at the crest to create an access road. The crest elevation at the decant structure was designed to be approximately elevation 398.33 feet (MSL). The design and typical sections through the Ash Pond Dike are provided on **Figures 13 and 14**.

The overflow spillway was designed for the Ash Pond Dike by 'cutting' a V-shaped spillway into the embankment northwest of the decant structure. The spillway was 14.5 feet wide at the base and 100 feet wide at the top with a designed bottom elevation of 385 feet MSL, which is eight (8) feet below the current inlet elevation (elevation 394 feet MSL) of the decant structure. Therefore, it appears that the overflow spillway has a key role in discharging water from the impoundment. The elevation of the spillway results in continuous flow of water through the overflow spillway. The spillway was filled with "rockfill" and the crest access road was constructed over the spillway. The downstream slope portion of the spillway design included a 12 feet 'thick' (measured parallel to a level surface, not perpendicular to the slope) layer of 'rockfill' that extended to the toe. The typical section for the overflow spillway is shown on **Figure 14**. There was no instrumentation observed at the impoundment.

1.2.8 Description of the Final Pond Impoundment and Appurtenances

The Final Pond is a cross-valley impoundment that was designed by Sargent & Lundy. During design and construction, the embankment that forms the Intermediate Pond was referred to as the Settling Pond Dike<sup>11</sup>. The following description of the impoundment is based on the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> The term "Settling Pond Dike" was used in the Sargent & Lundy Design Drawings and will be used herein for convenience and consistency

Sargent & Lundy Design Drawings,<sup>12</sup> information received from BEC, and observations made by GZA during our Site visit.



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The Final Pond is located southwest of the BEC, west of the PFAP, and adjacent to and downstream of the Intermediate Pond as shown in **Figures 2 and 12**. The impoundment was constructed in 1969 and serves as a settling pond and final settling and disposal location for bottom ash generated by the BEC. The Final Pond receives water and unsettled solids from the Intermediate Pond through the Intermediate Pond decant structure and associated discharge pipe. Water is discharged from the Final Pond to a drainage ditch that is adjacent to the southern portion of the utility property through a decant structure which is located near the southwest edge of the Final Pond. The approximate location of the discharge pipes from the Intermediate Pond and the decant structure are shown in **Figure 12**. Details of the decant structure design are shown in **Figure 14**.

The Settling Pond Dike consists of an earthfill embankment with a crest length of approximately 680 feet and a general height (from the lowest downstream toe elevation to the crest of the impoundment) of approximately 32 feet at the decant structure.

Based on the information provided in the Sargent & Lundy Design Drawings, the Settling Pond Dike was designed using an "impervious fill" core and "earthfill" shell. Based on information contained in the Failure Analysis, the impervious fill likely consisted of lean clay and the earthfill likely consists of loess deposits as both materials were generally available on the Site. It does not appear that the impoundment was built over wet ash, slag, or other unsuitable materials. The embankment was designed with 3H:1V upstream and downstream slopes. The upstream slope was armored with a one (1) foot thick layer of sand and gravel over the earthfill, followed by a one (1) foot thick layer of riprap from the toe to an elevation of 385 feet MSL. Above elevation 385 feet MSL, the upstream slope was armored with a 6-inch thick layer of gravel fill. The downstream slope was armored with a one (1) foot thick layer of sand and gravel over the earthfill. A two (2) foot thick layer of riprap was placed over the sand from the toe to an elevation of approximately 377 feet MSL. Above elevation 377 feet MSL, the downstream slope was armored with a 6-inch thick layer of gravel fill. The Settling Pond Dike included a 2-feet thick, sand and gravel drainage blanket that varied in elevation from 377 feet to 384 feet MSL. The crest elevation was designed to be at approximately elevation 400 feet. The design and typical sections through the Settling Pond Dike are provided on Figure 13 and **14**.

The overflow spillway designed for the Settling Pond Dike was similar to that designed for the Ash Pond Dike. The difference between the overflow spillway for the Settling Pond Dike was in the details of the downstream toe construction as shown on **Figure 14**. There was no instrumentation observed at the impoundment.

1.2.9 Operations and Maintenance

The impoundments are operated and maintained by BEC personnel. Operation of the PFAP Impoundment includes periodic movement of the ash discharge pipelines. Operation of the SFAP, Secondary Pond, Intermediate Pond and Final Pond includes periodic adjustment of the decant elevations.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Several Sargent & Lundy drawings from the original impoundment design were available. A complete list of the drawings reviewed is provided in Appendix F.

Discharges from the BEC facility, including the impoundments, is regulated by the Illinois EPA under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. IL0000043. The BEC personnel perform visual assessments of the impoundments on a weekly basis and the assessment results are documented in a field log book. Starting in 2009, the impoundments were inspected by professional engineers on an annual basis.

1.2.10 Size Classification

For the purposes of this EPA-mandated assessment, the sizes of the impoundments were based on U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) criteria. Based on the maximum crest height of 55 feet and a storage volume of approximately 10,000 acre-feet, the PFAP is classified as an **Intermediate** sized structure. Based on the maximum crest height of 55 feet and a current storage volume of 1,650 acre-feet, the SFAP Impoundment is classified as an **Intermediate** sized structure. Based on the maximum crest height of 12 feet and a storage volume of approximately 190 acre-feet, the Secondary Pond is classified as a **Small** sized structure. Based on the maximum crest height of 20 feet and a storage volume of approximately 40 acre-feet, the Intermediate Pond is classified as a **Small** sized structure. Based on the maximum crest height of 32 feet and a storage volume of approximately 72 acre-feet, the Final Pond is classified as a **Small** sized structure.

According to guidelines established by the COE, dams with a storage volume less than 1,000 acre-feet and/or a height less than 40 feet are classified as Small sized structures and dams with a storage volume between 1,000 acre-feet and 50,000 acre-feet and/or a height between 40 feet and 100 feet are classified as Intermediate sized structures.

1.2.11 Hazard Potential Classification

Under the EPA classification system, as presented on page 2 of the EPA check list (**Appendix C**) and Definitions section (**Appendix B**), it is GZA's opinion that the PFAP, SFAP and the Final Pond would be considered as having a <u>Significant</u> hazard potential. The hazard potential rating is based on no probable loss of human life due to failure and the potential environmental impacts outside of Utility owned property.

Under the EPA classification system, as presented on page 2 of the EPA check list (**Appendix C**) and Definitions section (**Appendix B**), it is GZA's opinion that the Secondary Pond and the Intermediate Pond would be considered as having a <u>Low</u> hazard potential. The hazard potential rating is based on no probable loss of human life due to failure and the potential environmental impacts would likely be limited to Utility owned property.

Please note that Dynegy provided additional information to GZA since submittal of the checklists. The Checklists have been updated to reflect that information and the updated checklists are provided in **Appendix C**. The items that were changed are marked in a 'blue' font.



### 1.3 <u>Pertinent Engineering Data</u>

### 1.3.1 Drainage Area

Based on the design documents and visual observations by GZA, the PFAP and the SFAP do not receive surface drainage from the surrounding areas. Based on our estimates of the drainage area from topographic contours on drawing E-BAL1-C130, approximately 6 acres, 9 acres, and 180 acres drain into the Final Pond, Intermediate Pond and Secondary Pond, respectively.

#### 1.3.2 Reservoir

Based on the May 16, 2011 aerial photograph and estimates made by GZA<sup>13</sup>, the PFAP has a surface area of 357 acres and a storage volume of approximately 10,000 acre feet at a pool elevation of 448 feet MSL.<sup>14</sup> Approximately 22 acres of pool area was observed during the May of 2011 Site visit by GZA. The SFAP has a surface area of 55 acres and a storage volume of approximately 1,650 acre feet at a pool elevation of 430 feet MSL.<sup>15</sup> Approximately 17 acres of pool area was observed during the May 2011 Site visit by GZA. The Secondary Pond has a surface area of 19 acres and a storage volume of approximately 190 acre feet at a pool elevation of 396 feet MSL. The Intermediate Pond has a surface area of 2 acres and a storage volume of approximately 40 acre feet at a pool elevation of 394 feet MSL. The Final Pond has a surface area of 2.2 acres and a storage volume of approximately 72 acre feet at a pool elevation of 393 feet MSL. The pool areas observed on GZA's May 2011 Site visit are consistent with the surfaces areas noted above.

1.3.3 Discharges at the Impoundment Sites

According to BEC personnel, under normal operating conditions, approximately 8 million gallons of water per day (MGD) to 13 MGD are discharged from the Final Pond to the drainage ditch. The discharges to the different portions of the Primary Fly Ash Pond are not measured.

1.3.4 General Elevations (feet – MSL)

Elevations were taken from design drawings, reports, and data provided by BEC. Elevations were based upon the USGS topographic map MSL vertical datum.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Surface area estimates generated using Google Earth Professional software and available aerial photographs. Volume estimate for the Secondary pond is based on the preconstruction valley topography shown on the Sargent & Lundy design drawings.
<sup>14</sup> Storage capacity of the PFAP is based on an average base elevation of ash of 420 feet as estimated by

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Storage capacity of the PFAP is based on an average base elevation of ash of 420 feet as estimated by GZA from drawings provided by BEC personnel.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Storage capacity of the PFAP is based on an average base elevation of ash of 400 feet as estimated by in the Failure Analysis.

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B. Upstream Water at Time of Assessment	± 447.5 feet
C. Downstream Tail Water at Time of Assessment	396.1 feet (Northwest) <sup>16</sup>
	430 feet (Along SFAP)
D. Maximum Pond Water Elevation	Unknown
Secondary Fly Ash Pond Impoundment	
A. Top of Embankment (Minimum)	$\pm 434$ feet
B. Upstream Water at Time of Assessment	430 feet
C. Downstream Tail Water at Time of Assessment	396.1 feet
D. Maximum Pond Water Elevation	Unknown
Secondary Pond Impoundment	
A Top of Embankment (Minimum)	402 feet
B Unstream Water at Time of Assessment	396 1 feet
C Downstream Tail Water at Time of Assessment	394 feet
D Maximum Pond Water Elevation	Unknown
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Intermediate Pond Impoundment	
A. Top of Embankment (Minimum)	400 feet
B. Upstream Water at Time of Assessment	394 feet
C. Downstream Tail Water at Time of Assessment	392.7 feet
D. Maximum Pond Water Elevation	Unknown
Final Pond Impoundment	
A. Top of Embankment (Minimum)	398 feet
B. Upstream Water at Time of Assessment	392.7 feet
C. Downstream Tail Water at Time of Assessment <sup>17</sup>	± 375 feet
D. Maximum Pond Water Elevation	Unknown

+ 155 foot

1.3.5 Design and Construction Records and History

Limited construction documentation was available from the BEC with regards to the ash impoundments. No information was available regarding construction of the original 1969 embankments; however Woodward Clyde concluded that the berms were compacted to approximately 95% of the standard proctor based on the results of their subsurface investigation. Based on our review of the Failure Analysis, Woodward Clyde was provided construction documentation of the 1989 raise that included results of density tests conducted on the clay fill. However, such documentation could not be located since reorganization of the BEC files.

As built drawings were available for the Intermediate Embankment but there were no construction photos or documentation of the earthwork construction methodology or testing performed. No as built drawings or other construction documentation was available for the Secondary Dike.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> The downstream elevation to the northwest was taken to be the elevation in the Secondary Pond.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Downstream tail water elevation based on visual estimates made by GZA during the Site Visit.

1.3.6 Operating Records

No operating records of the impoundments were provided to GZA.

1.3.7 Previous Inspection Reports

The impoundments were visually inspected by a consulting professional engineer from URS in 2009 and 2010. Copies of the URS inspection reports were reviewed by GZA. On February 20, 2009, URS observed erosion along the southwestern portion of the SFAP and recommended repairs to correct it. In addition, URS noted tall vegetation and trees on the impoundments and recommended removal of the trees. On March 24, 2010, URS observed two large erosion features along the southern embankment and recommended repairing with gravel and seeding. In addition, URS noted tall vegetation and trees on the impoundments and recommended removal of the trees. Copies of the URS inspection reports are provided as **Appendix D**.

# 2.0 ASSESSMENT

# 2.1 <u>Visual Assessment</u>

The BEC impoundments were inspected on May 24 and 25, 2011 by Patrick J. Harrison, P.E., and Douglas P. Simon, P.E. (Wisconsin), of GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc., and accompanied by Phil Morris of Dynegy. The assessment was conducted over the course of two days. For both days, the weather was partly cloudy with occasional rain with temperatures in the 70°s to 80°s Fahrenheit. Photographs to document the current conditions of the impoundments were taken during the assessment and are included in **Appendix E**. At the time of the assessment, the water levels in the impoundments were as provided in Section 1.3.4. Underwater areas were not inspected, as this level of investigation was beyond of GZA's scope of services. Copies of the EPA Checklists are included in **Appendix C**. Please note that the checklists have been updated since they were first submitted to the EPA to reflect additional information that was provided by Dynegy.

During our visual assessment, GZA observed the area of the 1995 failure and also observed a scarp along the northern portion of downstream slope of the SFAP. The history of the 1995 failure has been discussed in Section 1.2.4 and our observations of the failed area are provided in Section 2.2 along with our observations of the scarp on the downstream slope of the SFAP.

2.1.1 PFAP Impoundment General Findings

In general, the BEC PFAP Impoundment was found to be in **POOR** condition. In GZA's professional opinion, the embankment(s) visually appear to be sound and no immediate remedial action appears to be necessary. However, based on EPA's assessment criteria, the impoundment has been given a POOR Condition Rating because complete hydraulic and geotechnical computations were not provided/available for GZA's for review. Thus, the stability of the embankment(s) could not be independently verified.

An overall Site plan showing the impoundments is provided as **Figure 2**. The location and orientation of photographs provided in **Appendix E** is shown on the Photo Plan in **Figure 3**.



### 2.1.2 PFAP Upstream Slope (Photos 58, 64, 65, 66, and 68)

The water surface elevation at the time of assessment was at elevation 447.5 feet MSL. Therefore, the lower portion of the upstream slope was below the water level or covered by ash deltas and not visible. The upstream slope above the water generally appeared to be in good condition. However, thick vegetation was present along much of the slope not covered by ash making it difficult to inspect the slope. No unusual movement, depressions or sloughing was observed on the slope.

2.1.3 PFAP Crest of Impoundment (Photos 58, 61, 63, 64, 65, and 68)

The crest of the PFAP Impoundment generally had a gravel access road that had grass covering much of the road along the eastern and southern portions of the impoundment crest. The crest of impoundment had occasional pot holes along its entire length; with the frequency of potholes increasing along the eastern and southern embankments. The alignment of the crest appeared generally level, with no large depressions or irregularities observed. Based on information provided by BEC personnel, the crest elevation is approximately elevation 455 feet MSL. No significant settlement was observed at the time of our assessment. There was approximately 7 feet of free board at the time of our assessment.

2.1.4 PFAP Downstream Slope (Photos 55, 56, 57, 59, 60, 62, and 67)

The downstream slope of the impoundment was generally covered in thick vegetation making it difficult to observe during our assessments as shown in Photos 55 through 57. The eastern and southern portions were generally covered with dense trees and shrubs. The western and northern portions were generally covered with grass that had not been recently mowed. No unusual movement or displacement was observed on the slope. A gravel access road was present along the toe of the downstream slope of the northern embankment of the impoundment and generally was in good condition, with minor rutting on the surface.

2.1.5 PFAP Discharge Pipes (Photos 29, 30, 50, 51, 52, 69, 71 through 74)

Water and CCW enters the northern portion of the PFAP through a series of 10 inch diameter steel pipes. The discharge pipes appeared to be in good condition based on our visual observations. Water is removed from the northern portion of the PFAP through the decant structure for the northern portion of the PFAP that appeared to be approximately 24 inches in diameter. However, the decant structure was difficult to access due to dense vegetation. Water that enters the northern decant structure discharges upstream of the Secondary Pond via an approximately 24-inch diameter CMP pipe. The CMP discharge pipe showed signs of damage and significant leaking. The leaking water had eroded the soil around a portion of the discharge pipe as shown in Photos 29 and 30. There was no riprap or other erosion control protection observed near the CMP discharge pipe.

The 12-inch diameter steel decant pipes along the Intermediate Embankment that discharge water from the southern portion of the PFAP to the SFAP were generally in good condition based on our observations. However, most of the pipes were located within ash deltas or surrounded by ponded water and could not be easily accessed.

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#### 2.1.6 SFAP Impoundment General Findings

In general, the BEC SFAP Impoundment was found to be in <u>POOR</u> condition. An overall Site plan showing the impoundments is provided as **Figure 2**. The location and orientation of photographs provided in **Appendix E** is shown on the Photo Plan in **Figure 8**.



The water surface elevation in the SFAP at the time of assessment was at elevation 430 feet MSL. Therefore, the lower portion of the upstream slope was below the water level or covered by ash deltas and not visible. In the area of the 1995 failure, the impounded ash was generally stockpiled at or above the crest elevation and thus covered the upstream slope. Where visible, the upstream slope generally appeared to be in good condition with no unusual movement, erosion or displacement observed. However, thick vegetation and trees were present along portions of the slope making it difficult to access and inspect the slope.

2.1.8 SFAP Crest of Impoundment (Photos 36, 37, 39, 47 and 48)

The crest of the SFAP Impoundment was generally covered by a gravel access road. The crest of the impoundment had occasional pot holes along its entire length; particularly along the eastern and southern embankments of the impoundment. With the exception of the area of the 1995 Failure, the alignment of the crest appeared generally level, with no large depressions or irregularities observed. Based on information provided by BEC personnel, the crest elevation outside the 1995 Failure area is approximately elevation 455 feet MSL.

The crest was lowered 21 feet to an elevation of 434 feet MSL along a portion of the southern embankment in response to the 1995 Failure as shown in Photo 47. No significant settlement or evidence of continued movement was observed at the time of our assessment. There was approximately 4 feet of free board at the time of our assessment.

2.1.9 SFAP Downstream Slope (Photos 32, 33, 34, 35, 40 through 46, and 49)

The condition of the downstream slope of the SFAP impoundment was obscured along much of the southern embankment due to thick vegetation including trees up to 16 inches in diameter. Grass that had not been recently mowed was present on the remaining portions of the downstream slope.

A scarp was observed near the crest of the downstream slope of the northwestern embankment at the approximate location shown on **Figure 8**. The scarp was approximately 100 feet wide along the slope and extended approximately 30 feet to 40 feet down the slope. The vertical face at the head of the scarp was approximately 2 feet high. The scarp had reportedly developed 2 weeks prior to our assessment and repair of the scarp has been completed since our visit according to BEC personnel. Moist surface conditions that may have been an indicator of seepage were observed along the toe of the southern embankment. However, we were not able to confirm the nature or extent of moist conditions due to the thick vegetation.



2.1.10 SFAP Ash Discharge Pipes (Photos 52 through 54)

Water and CCW enter the SFAP from the southern portion of the PFAP through a series of five (5) steel decant pipes that appeared to be in good condition at the time of our assessment. Water is removed from the SFAP through the decant structure which is located along the northwestern embankment and discharges along the valley slope above the Secondary Pond. The decant structure and discharge pipe appeared to be in good operating condition with no defects or damage observed. The riprap present at the discharge location and down the slope appeared to be in good condition and there were no visible signs of erosion.

2.1.11 Secondary Pond General Findings

In general, the BEC Secondary Pond was found to be in **POOR** condition. In GZA's professional opinion, the embankment(s) visually appear to be sound and no immediate remedial action appears to be necessary. However, based on EPA's assessment criteria, the impoundment has been given a POOR Condition Rating because complete hydraulic and geotechnical computations were not provided/available for GZA's for review. Thus, the stability of the embankment(s) could not be independently verified.

An overall Site plan showing the impoundments is provided as **Figure 2**. The location and orientation of photographs provided in **Appendix E** is shown on the Photo Plan in **Figure 10**.

2.1.12 Secondary Pond Upstream Slope (Photos 22, 24 and 25)

The water surface elevation in the Secondary Pond at the time of assessment was at elevation 396.1 feet MSL. Therefore, the lower portion of the upstream slope was below the water level and not visible. The upstream valley slopes that were above the water were generally thickly vegetated with shrubs and trees up to 24 inches in diameter. The typical conditions of the valley slopes are shown on Photos 26, 27, 28, and 31.

As noted in Section 1.2.6, the Secondary Dike impounds the water that forms the Secondary Pond. The upstream slope of the Secondary Dike that was above the water was generally in good condition and no unusual movement or sloughing was observed. However, thick vegetation greater than 5 feet in height was present along the upstream slope of the Secondary Dike making it difficult to inspect.

2.1.13 Secondary Pond Crest of Impoundment (Photo 24)

The crest of the Secondary Dike had an access road that was generally grassy be appeared to have been graveled in the past. The alignment of the top of Secondary Dike appeared generally level outside of the area of the overflow spillway, with no large depressions or irregularities observed. The crest elevation of the Secondary Dike is approximately 402 feet MSL.

2.1.14 Secondary Pond Downstream Slope (Photo 24)

The water surface elevation in the Intermediate Pond along the downstream slope of the Secondary Pond at the time of assessment was at elevation 394 feet MSL. Therefore, the lower portion of the downstream slope was below the water level and not visible. Thick vegetation

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was present along portions of the downstream slope above the water level making it difficult to inspect. The visible portions of the downstream slope appeared to be in good condition with no unusual movement or sloughing was observed.

2.1.15 Secondary Pond Ash Discharge Pipes

The decant inlets and the discharge pipe outlets for the Secondary Pond were located below the water surface in the Secondary and Intermediate Ponds, respectively. Therefore, GZA was not able to observe the decant or discharge pipes.

2.1.16 Intermediate Pond General Findings

In general, the BEC Intermediate Pond was found to be in <u>POOR</u> condition. An overall Site plan showing the impoundments is provided as **Figure 2**. The location and orientation of photographs provided in **Appendix E** is shown on the Photo Plan in **Figure 12**.

2.1.17 Intermediate Pond Upstream Slope (Photos 1, 75 and 76)

As noted in Section 1.2.7, the Ash Pond Dike impounds the water that forms the Intermediate Pond. The upstream slope of the Ash Pond Dike that was above the water was generally in good condition with no unusual movement or sloughing observed. However, tall grasses along portions of the slope made it difficult to inspect and trees up to 4 inches in diameter were present.

2.1.18 Intermediate Pond Crest of Impoundment (Photos 1, 75 and 76)

The crest of the Intermediate Pond generally had a gravel access road at the location of the Ash Pond Dike. The access road was generally in fair condition but there were several potholes along the roadway. The alignment of the crest of the Ash Pond Dike appeared generally level in the areas outside of the overflow spillway, with no large depressions or irregularities observed. The crest of the Ash Pond Dike elevation is approximately elevation 400 feet MSL.

2.1.19 Intermediate Pond Downstream Slope (Photos 2 through 5)

The water surface elevation in the Final Pond along the downstream slope of the Intermediate Pond was at elevation 392.7 feet MSL at the time of assessment. Therefore, the lower portion of the downstream slope was below the water level and not visible. Thick vegetation and trees up to 4 inches in diameter were present along portions of the downstream slope above the water level making it difficult to inspect. No unusual movement or sloughing was observed on the visible portions of the slope.

A portion of the downstream slope had been covered with concrete to control erosion along the overflow spillway of Ash Pond Dike. Water was flowing from under the concrete in several locations. Due to the concrete, GZA was not able to observe whether erosion was continuing to occurring due to the seepage.

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2.1.20 Intermediate Pond Ash Decant Structure (Photos 76 and 77)

The decant structure for the Intermediate Pond appeared to be in good condition at the time of our Site visit and did not appear to be cracked or otherwise damaged. However, the water level in the impoundment was such that the decant pipe appeared to be nearly at capacity as shown on Photo 77. The discharge pipes into the Final Pond are located below the water surface and could not be observed during our Site visit.

2.1.21 Final Pond General Findings

In general, the BEC Final Pond was found to be in <u>POOR</u> condition. An overall Site plan showing the impoundments is provided as **Figure 2**. The location and orientation of photographs provided in **Appendix E** is shown on the Photo Plan in **Figure 12**.

2.1.22 Final Pond Upstream Slope (Photos 7, 8 and 9)

As noted in Section 1.2.8, the Settling Pond Dike impounds the water that forms the Final Pond. The water surface elevation in the Final Pond at the time of assessment was at elevation 392.7 feet MSL. Therefore, the lower portion of the upstream slope was below the water level and not visible. The upstream slope of the Settling Pond Dike that was above the water was generally in good condition and no unusual movement or sloughing was observed. However, tall grasses along the slope made it difficult to inspect.

2.1.23 Final Pond Crest of Impoundment (Photos 10, 18 through 20)

The crest of the Settling Pond Dike was covered by a gravel access road that was generally in fair condition, but there were several potholes along the length of the crest. The alignment of the crest of Settling Pond Dike appeared to be consistent with the design elevation, with no large depressions or irregularities observed. The crest elevation of the Ash Pond Dike is approximately elevation 398 feet MSL.

2.1.24 Final Pond Downstream Slope (Photos 10 through 15)

The water surface elevation in the drainage ditch along the downstream slope was visually estimated by GZA to be at elevation 375 feet MSL. Therefore, the lower portion of the downstream slope and toe was below the water level and not visible. Thick vegetation and trees up to 18 inches in diameter were present along portions of the downstream slope making it difficult to inspect. No unusual movement or sloughing was observed on the visible portions of the slope.

Water was actively discharging from the overflow section of the Settling Pond Dike and flowing along the armored portion of the downstream slope. Thick vegetation and trees were present along the armored portion of the slope.

2.1.25 Final Pond Ash Decant Structure (Photos 9, 16, and 17)

The decant structure for the Final Pond appeared to be in good condition at the time of our Site visit. However, it appeared that water was discharging at a rate that was near the



maximum capacity of the decant structure. The discharge pipes into the downstream water way are located below the water surface and could not be observed during our Site visit.

# 2.2 <u>Caretaker Interview</u>

Maintenance of the impoundments is the responsibility of BEC personnel. GZA met with BEC personnel and discussed the operations and maintenance procedures, regulatory requirements, and the history of the impoundments since their construction.

# 2.3 Operation and Maintenance Procedures

As discussed in Section 1.2.9, BEC personnel are responsible for the regular operations and maintenance of the impoundments. No formal maintenance plan has been developed for the impoundments. Based on our discussions with BEC personnel, the roadways and slopes are repaired as needed.

### 2.4 <u>Emergency Action Plan</u>

An Emergency Action Plan (EAP) has not been developed for the impoundments. Note that the hazard potential classification for the dam is discussed in Section 1.2.11.

# 2.5 <u>Hydrologic/Hydraulic Data</u>

No hydrologic/hydraulic studies have been conducted for the impoundments. GZA did not perform an independent assessment of the hydraulics and hydrology for the impoundments as this was beyond our scope of services.

### 2.6 <u>Structural and Seepage Stability</u>

No engineering evaluation is available for the 1969 embankments designed by Sargent & Lundy. However, as discussed below seepage and stability analyses were conducted in 1995 and 2011 and relied upon the design drawings for information about embankments.

### 2.6.1 1995 Failure Analysis

The Failure Analysis evaluated the causes of the 1995 failure, the stability of the failed section, and the stability of the remaining PFAP embankments. Soil borings were drilled, laboratory testing was conducted, and instrumentation was installed to evaluate the stability of the southern embankment of the PFAP and SFAP. Based on the results of the Failure Analysis, the failed section of the embankment had a factor of safety against global failure less than the generally accepted value of 1.5.

The Failure Analysis also indicated that deep seated failure on the high plasticity clay below the embankments could occur for embankments that were greater than about 35 feet high. Based on the results of the failure analysis, the potential for deep failure was greatest between Stations -6-50 and 5+50. In addition, shallow failures due to high hydrostatic pressures in the bottom ash could occur where bottom ash was present near the downstream face of the embankment. The Failure Analysis identified the potential for shallow failure from the southwestern corner of the impoundment to Station 14+00. Relative to the current



impoundment configuration, the areas of potential deep and shallow failure are along the southern embankment of what is now the SFAP.

The Failure Analysis presented three remedial options to increase the factor of safety above generally acceptable levels; a parallel wall, a translated dike, and an HDPE wall. However, Dynegy (at that time Illinois Power Company) constructed the Intermediate Embankment in lieu of applying one of the suggested remedial measures. We understand that the Intermediate Embankment was constructed to allow the water levels in the SFAP to be lowered and thus reduce the static loading on the embankments. However, Illinois Power Company did not evaluate the stability of the embankments based on their remedial design.

### 2.6.2 2011 URS Stability Analysis

Since our Site Visit, Dynegy has contracted URS to conduct an evaluation of the stability of the 1995 failure section, the Ash Pond Dike, and the Settling Pond Dike. The URS analysis evaluated the FOS under four loading conditions that included the static load under drained and undrained conditions, and the seismic load based the 475 year return period event and 2475 year return period event. The 475 year return period event was the applicable standard prior to and including the period of the 1995 failure. The 2475 year return period event corresponds to the current design standard required by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) for Construction and Maintenance of Dams. The impoundments are not subject to the requirements of the IDNR standard; however the use of IDNR criteria is standard practice, in GZA's opinion.

In the 1995 Failure Area, the URS analysis was based on the current embankment configuration and reportedly used the soil properties provided in the 1995 Failure Analysis. The URS analysis indicates that the following factors of safety (FOS) in the 1995 Failure Area:

Condition	Computed FOS	Minimum FOS	
Drained static conditions	1.21	1.5	
Undrained static conditions	1.73	1.5	
475 Year Seismic Load	1.10	1.0	
2475 Year Seismic Load	0.57	1.0	

The URS analysis indicates that the FOS under drained static conditions and the 2475 year seismic load are below the generally accepted standards of 1.5 and 1.0, respectively. No recommendations for increasing the FOS were provided in the URS analysis.

Based on our review of the URS analysis, it is GZA's opinion that the stability analysis for the SFAP is incomplete. URS stated that the soil parameters used for the analysis were based on the values reported in the Woodward Clyde Failure analysis. However, GZA observed several instances where the values used in the URS analysis did not correlate to the values reported in the Woodward Clyde Failure Analysis. Also, the URS analysis was conducted for the conditions present during normal operating levels rather than during the increased loading that would occur during the 100 year, 24 hour storm event. Also, the URS analysis did not evaluate the stability of the remaining embankments of the SFAP. Therefore, based on the results stated in the Woodward Clyde Failure Analysis, it would be assumed that the remaining portions of the embankments do not meet the generally accepted FOS values, in GZA's opinion.



The URS analysis also evaluated the stability of the Ash Pond Dike and the Settling Pond Dike. The composition and cross sections of the embankments was based on the 1969 design drawings and the soil parameters were reportedly based on the values presented in the Woodward Clyde Failure Analysis for the SFAP. However, no supplemental field or laboratory test data was collected by URS.

The URS analysis indicates the following factors of safety (FOS) for the Ash Pond Dike as noted for Section B-B':

<u>Condition</u>	FOS
Drained static conditions	1.55
Undrained static conditions	5.10
475 Year Seismic Load	3.28
2475 Year Seismic Load	2.00

The URS analysis indicates the following factors of safety (FOS) for the Settling Pond Dike outside of the overflow section as noted for Section A-A':

<u>Condition</u>	FOS
Drained static conditions	1.66
Undrained static conditions	3.34
475 Year Seismic Load	2.31
2475 Year Seismic Load	1.50

The URS analysis indicates the following factors of safety (FOS) for the Settling Pond Dike within the overflow section as noted for Section F-F':

<u>Condition</u>	FOS
Drained static conditions	$1.3^{18}$
Undrained static conditions	3.23
475 Year Seismic Load	2.21
2475 Year Seismic Load	1.40

Based on our review of the URS analysis, it is GZA's opinion that the stability analysis for the SFAP is incomplete for the following considerations:

1. URS stated that the soil parameters used for the analysis were based on the values reported in the Woodward Clyde Failure analysis. However, GZA observed several instances where the values used in the URS analysis did not correlate to the values reported in the Woodward Clyde Failure Analysis. In addition, there were soil types (eg. riprap, sand and gravel filter) that were not part of the Woodward Clyde Failure Analysis and no justification was provided in the URS analysis for the soil parameters used in the analysis.

The preceding comment was addressed in additional information provided by Dynegy after issuance of the DRAFT report and no additional information is needed.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Reported FOS is based on revised analysis conducted after draft report was issued.

- 2. Also, the URS analysis was conducted for the conditions present during normal operating levels rather than during the increased loading that would occur during the 100 year, 24 hour storm event.
- 3. The analysis of the Ash Pond Dike did not provide justification that the Section used represented the critical section of the embankment.

The preceding comment was addressed in additional information provided by Dynegy after issuance of the DRAFT report and no additional information is needed.

4. The analysis for Section F-F' through the overflow section of the Settling Pond Dike assumes a water surface that follows the base of the rockfill in the section and exits at the downstream slope near the toe. Based on the conditions observed during GZA's assessment, water exits the downstream slope within several feet of the crest of the impoundment. The analysis also assumed the tail-water elevation to be at the ground surface. However, there appeared to be several feet of water on the downstream toe at the time of our assessment. Therefore, the assumed water table within the embankment and along the downstream toe does not match the observed conditions. An analysis with a modeled water table that more closely matches the observed conditions may result in a lower FOS.

The preceding comment was addressed in additional information provided by Dynegy after issuance of the DRAFT report and no additional information is needed.

5. Given the use of the overflow sections of the Ash Pond Dike and the Settling Pond Dike to support continuous flow of water, the stability of the materials against erosion or piping should be considered.

# 3.0 ASSESSMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

# 3.1 Assessments

In general, the overall condition of the PFAP impoundment was judged to be <u>POOR</u>. The PFAP impoundment was found to have the following deficiencies:

- 1. Thick vegetation and trees along the upstream and downstream slopes;
- 2. Minor potholes and rutting along the crest gravel access road;
- 3. Damaged discharge pipe from the northern decant;
- 4. The absence of erosion protection on the embankment near the discharge location of the northern decant has allowed erosion of the embankment;
- 5. No hydraulic/hydrologic analysis has been performed to confirm adequate freeboard and decant capacity at the design storm event;
- 6. The stability analysis completed does not account for storm event loading conditions; and,
- 7. No stability analysis was provided for the Intermediate Embankment.

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In general, the overall condition of the SFAP impoundment was judged to be **<u>POOR</u>**. The SFAP impoundment was found to have the following deficiencies:

- Thick vegetation and trees along the upstream and downstream slopes;
- 2. Minor potholes and rutting along the crest gravel access road;
- 3. Scarp present on the downstream slope of the northern embankment;
- 4. The stability analysis for the SFAP is incomplete for portions of the embankments and does not indicate that the embankments meet generally accepted levels of stability for the sections analyzed; and
- 5. No hydraulic/hydrologic analysis has been performed to confirm adequate freeboard and decant capacity at the design storm event.

In general, the overall condition of the Secondary Pond impoundment was judged to be **POOR**. The Secondary Pond impoundment was found to have the following deficiencies:

- 1. No hydraulic/hydrologic analysis has been performed to confirm adequate freeboard, decant and overflow spillway capacity; and,
- 2. No seepage and/or stability analysis has been performed for the Secondary Dike.

In general, the overall condition of the Intermediate Pond impoundment was judged to be **POOR**. The Intermediate Pond impoundment was found to have the following deficiencies:

- 1. Thick vegetation and trees along the upstream and downstream slopes;
- 2. Potholes along the crest gravel access road;
- 3. Concrete covering the downstream slope prohibits monitoring of potential erosion;
- 4. No hydraulic/hydrologic analysis has been performed to confirm adequate freeboard and decant/overflow spillway capacity;
- 5. In GZA's opinion, the stability analysis for the impoundment was incomplete; and,

Additional analysis was completed and provided to GZA after issuance of the DRAFT report that satisfies our recommendation. No further analysis is recommended at this time.

6. No evaluation has been conducted to verify the stability of the overflow section against piping or fines erosion.

In general, the overall condition of the Final Pond impoundment was judged to be **<u>POOR</u>**. The Final Pond impoundment was found to have the following deficiencies:

- 1. Thick vegetation and trees along the downstream slopes;
- 2. Minor potholes along the crest gravel access road;
- 3. No hydraulic/hydrologic analysis has been performed to confirm adequate freeboard and decant/overflow spillway capacity;

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4. In GZA's opinion, the stability analysis for the impoundment was incomplete; and,

Additional analysis was completed and provided to GZA after issuance of the DRAFT report that satisfies our recommendation. No further analysis is recommended at this time.

5. No evaluation has been conducted to verify the stability of the overflow section against piping or fines erosion.

The following recommendations and remedial measures generally describe the recommended approach to address current deficiencies at the impoundments. Prior to undertaking recommended maintenance, repairs, or remedial measures, the applicability of permits needs to be determined for activities that may occur under the jurisdiction of the appropriate regulatory agencies.

# 3.2 <u>Studies and Analyses</u>

GZA recommends that BEC/Dynegy conduct the following studies and analysis:

- 1. Conduct an analysis of the hydraulic/hydrologic condition of the impoundments to establish the rise in water level that occurs during the 100-year, 24-hour rain event to confirm that adequate freeboard is maintained and adequate decant and spillway capacity is available. The loading conditions established during the design storm event should be used in the evaluation of the seepage and stability evaluation of the embankments.
- 2. Address the deficiencies noted in Section 2.6 and Section 3.1 for the stability and seepage analysis previously conducted for the impoundments and establish a complete seepage and stability analysis for each impoundment.
- 3. Evaluate the potential for piping and fines erosion along the overflow sections of the Ash Pond Dike and the Settling Pond Dike.
- 4. Moist soil conditions were observed along the downstream slope and/or toe of the southern embankment of the SFAP. This condition may indicate the presence of seepage in that area and should be evaluated. We recommend removing all trees on the downstream slope and toe area and evaluation of the moist soil conditions.
- 5. Develop an Emergency Action Plan.
- 3.3 <u>Recurrent Operation & Maintenance Recommendations</u>

GZA recommends the following operation and maintenance level activities:

- 1. Increased mowing of the grasses on the embankments to facilitate assessments and reduce the risk of burrowing animals;
- 2. Repair the potholes present in the gravel crest access roads. Grade the road to provide better drainage and reduce future potholing; and,


3. Clear trees and other deep rooted vegetation from the slopes and crests of the embankments.

#### 3.4 <u>Repair Recommendations</u>

GZA recommends the following repairs to address observed deficiencies that may affect the stability of the embankments. The recommendations may require design by a professional engineer and construction contractor experienced in impoundment construction.

- 1. Repair the discharge pipe and the embankment erosion near the discharge pipe from PFAP's northern decant. Protect the embankment with riprap or other erosion control features.
- 2. Remove the concrete located on the downstream slope of the Ash Pond Dike. Repair any erosion observed beneath the concrete and replace with fill engineered to provide a stable embankment that is not susceptible to erosion or piping.
- 3. Pending the results of the hydraulic/hydrologic analysis, modify the design or operation of the impoundments to provide adequate capacity.
- 4. Pending the results of the complete seepage and stability analysis for each impoundment, modify the design or operation of the impoundments to provide conditions that result in embankments that meet the generally accepted factors of safety.

#### 3.5 <u>Alternatives</u>

There are no practical alternatives to the repairs itemized above.

#### 4.0 ENGINEER'S CERTIFICATION

I acknowledge that the management unit referenced herein, the BEC Primary Fly Ash Pond, Secondary Pond, Secondary Fly Ash Pond, Intermediate Pond and Final Pond Impoundments have been assessed to be in **POOR** condition on May 24 and 25, 2011.

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\* Drainage blanket omitted on the left abutment of the settling pond dike and ash pond dike.

NOTES I. Work this drawing with 21437 Ash Pond Dike - Sheet I

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PROJ MGR: DPS DESIGNED BY: DPS DEVIEMED DV: D IN	OPERATOR: CLK DATE: 11-11-2011
BALDWIN ENERGY COMPLEX 10901 BALDWIN ROAD BALDWIN ILINOIS	OVERFLOW SECTIONS FOR ASH POND DIKE AND SETTLING POND DIKE
JOB NO. 01.017	70142.30
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APPENDIX A

LIMITATIONS

#### DAM ENGINEERING & VISUAL INSPECTION LIMITATIONS

- 1. The observations described in this report were made under the conditions stated herein. The conclusions presented in the report were based solely on the services described therein, and not on scientific tasks or procedures beyond the scope of described services or the time and budgetary constraints imposed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
- 2. In preparing this report, GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc. (GZA) has relied on certain information provided by Dynegy Midwest Generation, LLC (Dynegy) (and their affiliates) as well as Federal, state, and local officials and other parties referenced therein. GZA has also relied on other parties which were available to GZA at the time of the inspection. Although there may have been some degree of overlap in the information provided by these various sources, GZA did not attempt to independently verify the accuracy or completeness of all information reviewed or received during the course of this work.
- 3. In reviewing this Report, it should be noted that the reported condition of the Ash Ponds is based on observations of field conditions during the course of this study along with data made available to GZA. The observations of conditions at the Ash Ponds reflect only the situation present at the specific moment in time the observations were made, under the specific conditions present. It may be necessary to reevaluate the recommendations of this report when subsequent phases of evaluation or repair and improvement provide more data.
- 4. It is important to note that the condition of a dam or embankment depends on numerous and constantly changing internal and external conditions, and is evolutionary in nature. It would be incorrect to assume that the present condition of the dam or embankment will continue to represent the condition of the dam or embankment at some point in the future. Only through continued care and inspection can there be any chance that unsafe conditions may be detected.
- 5. Water level readings have been reviewed and interpretations have been made in the text of this report. Fluctuations in the level of the groundwater and surface water may occur due to variations in rainfall, temperature, and other factors different than at the time measurements were made.
- 6. GZA's comments on the history, hydrology, hydraulics, and embankment stability for the Ash Ponds are based on a limited review of available design documentation for the Baldwin Energy Complex. Calculations and computer modeling used in these analyses were not available and were not independently reviewed by GZA.
- 7. This report has been prepared for the exclusive use of EPA for specific application to the existing dam facilities, in accordance with generally accepted dam engineering practices. No other warranty, express or implied, is made.
- 8. This dam inspection verification report has been prepared for this project by GZA. This report is for broad evaluation and management purposes only and is not sufficient, in and of itself, to prepare construction documents or an accurate bid.
- 9. The Phase I investigation does not include an assessment of the need for fences, gates, notrespassing signs, repairs to existing fences and railings and other items which may be needed to minimize trespass and provide greater security for the facility and safety to the public. An evaluation of the project for compliance with OSHA rules and regulations is also excluded.

# APPENDIX B

DEFINITIONS

#### **COMMON DAM SAFETY DEFINITIONS**

For a comprehensive list of dam engineering terminology and definitions refer to references published by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Department of the Interior Bureau of Reclamation, or the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

#### Orientation

Upstream - Shall mean the side of the dam that borders the impoundment.

Downstream - Shall mean the high side of the dam, the side opposite the upstream side.

<u>Right</u> – Shall mean the area to the right when looking in the downstream direction.

Left – Shall mean the area to the left when looking in the downstream direction.

#### **Dam Components**

Dam – Shall mean any artificial barrier, including appurtenant works, which impounds or diverts water.

<u>Embankment</u> – Shall mean the fill material, usually earth or rock, placed with sloping sides, such that it forms a permanent barrier that impounds water.

<u>Crest</u> – Shall mean the top of the dam, usually provides a road or path across the dam.

<u>Abutment</u> – Shall mean that part of a valley side against which a dam is constructed. An artificial abutment is sometimes constructed as a concrete gravity section, to take the thrust of an arch dam where there is no suitable natural abutment.

<u>Appurtenant Works</u> – Shall mean structures, either in dams or separate there from, including but not be limited to, spillways; reservoirs and their rims; low level outlet works; and water conduits including tunnels, pipelines, or penstocks, either through the dams or their abutments.

<u>Spillway</u> – Shall mean a structure over or through which water flows are discharged. If the flow is controlled by gates or boards, it is a controlled spillway; if the fixed elevation of the spillway crest controls the level of the impoundment, it is an uncontrolled spillway.

#### General

<u>EAP – Emergency Action Plan</u> - Shall mean a predetermined plan of action to be taken to reduce the potential for property damage and/or loss of life in an area affected by an impending dam break.

<u>O&M Manual</u> – Operations and Maintenance Manual; Document identifying routine maintenance and operational procedures under normal and storm conditions.

<u>Normal Pool</u> – Shall mean the elevation of the impoundment during normal operating conditions.

<u>Acre-foot</u> – Shall mean a unit of volumetric measure that would cover one acre to a depth of one foot. It is equal to 43,560 cubic feet. One million U.S. gallons = 3.068 acre feet.

<u>Height of Dam</u> – Shall mean the vertical distance from the lowest portion of the natural ground, including any stream channel, along the downstream toe of the dam to the crest of the dam.

<u>Spillway Design Flood (SDF)</u> – Shall mean the flood used in the design of a dam and its appurtenant works particularly for sizing the spillway and outlet works, and for determining maximum temporary storage and height of dam requirements.

#### **Condition Rating**

**SATISFACTORY** - No existing or potential management unit safety deficiencies are recognized. Acceptable performance is expected under all applicable loading conditions (static, hydrologic, seismic) in accordance with the applicable criteria. Minor maintenance items may be required.

**FAIR** - Acceptable performance is expected under all required loading conditions (static, hydrologic, seismic) in accordance with the applicable safety regulatory criteria. Minor deficiencies may exist that require remedial action and/or secondary studies or investigations.

**POOR** - A management unit safety deficiency is recognized for any required loading condition (static, hydrologic, seismic) in accordance with the applicable dam safety regulatory criteria. Remedial action is necessary. POOR also applies when further critical studies or investigations are needed to identify any potential dam safety deficiencies.

**UNSATISFACTORY** - Considered unsafe. A dam safety deficiency is recognized that requires immediate or emergency remedial action for problem resolution. Reservoir restrictions may be necessary.

#### **Hazard Potential**

(In the event the impoundment should fail, the following would occur):

**LESS THAN LOW HAZARD POTENTIAL:** Failure or misoperation of the dam results in no probable loss of human life or economic or environmental losses.

**LOW HAZARD POTENTIAL:** Dams assigned the low hazard potential classification are those where failure or misoperation results in no probable loss of human life and low economic and/or environmental losses. Losses are principally limited to the owner's property.

**SIGNIFICANT HAZARD POTENTIAL:** Dams assigned the significant hazard potential classification are those dams where failure or misoperation results in no probable loss of human life but can cause economic loss, environmental damage, disruption of lifeline facilities, or can impact other concerns. Significant hazard potential classification dams are often located in predominantly rural or agricultural areas but could be located in areas with population and significant infrastructure.

**HIGH HAZARD POTENTIAL:** Dams assigned the high hazard potential classification are those where failure or misoperation will probably cause loss of human life.

### APPENDIX C

INSPECTION CHECKLISTS

Coal Combustion Dam Inspection Checklist Form



Site Name: Baldwin Energy Co	mplex	Date: 5/25/11		
Unit Name: Primary Ash Po	nd	Operator's Name: Dynergy Midwest O	Generatio	n, LLC
Unit I.D.:		Hazard Potential Classification: High	Significant	Low
Inspector's Name: Patrick J. Harrison, F	P.E. and Dou	g P. Simon, P.E.		
Check the appropriate box below. Provide comments whe	en appropriate. I	f not applicable or not available, record "N/A". Any unusua	l conditions o	<u>pr</u>
embankment areas. If separate forms are used, identify a	pproximate area	that the form applies to in comments.		<u> </u>
	Yes No		Yes	No
1. Frequency of Company's Dam Inspections?	Weekly	18. Sloughing or bulging on slopes?		√
2. Pool elevation (operator records)?	447.5	19. Major erosion or slope deterioration?		✓
3. Decant inlet elevation (operator records)?	447.5	20. Decant Pipes:		
4. Open channel spillway elevation (operator records)?	453.5	Is water entering inlet, but not exiting outlet?		✓
5. Lowest dam crest elevation (operator records)?	455.0	Is water exiting outlet, but not entering inlet?		$\checkmark$
6. If instrumentation is present, are readings recorded (operator records)?	$\checkmark$	Is water exiting outlet flowing clear?	$\checkmark$	
7. Is the embankment currently under construction?	$\checkmark$	21. Seepage (specify location, if seepage carries fines, and approximate seepage rate below):		
8. Foundation preparation (remove vegetation, stumps, topsoil in area where embankment fill will be placed)?	$\checkmark$	From underdrain?		<
9. Trees growing on embankment? (If so, indicate largest diameter below)	$\checkmark$	At isolated points on embankment slopes?		$\checkmark$
10. Cracks or scarps on crest?	✓	At natural hillside in the embankment area?		✓
11. Is there significant settlement along the crest?	✓	Over widespread areas?		$\checkmark$
12. Are decant trashracks clear and in place?	✓	From downstream foundation area?		$\checkmark$
13. Depressions or sinkholes in tailings surface or whirlpool in the pool area?	✓	, "Boils" beneath stream or ponded water?		$\checkmark$
14. Clogged spillways, groin or diversion ditches?	↓ ↓	Around the outside of the decant pipe?		$\checkmark$
15. Are spillway or ditch linings deteriorated?	<b>↓</b>	22. Surface movements in valley bottom or on hillside?		√
16. Are outlets of decant or underdrains blocked?	$\checkmark$	23. Water against downstream toe?		$\checkmark$
17. Cracks or scarps on slopes?	✓	24. Were Photos taken during the dam inspection?	✓	
Major adverse changes in these items cou	Ild cause ins	tability and should be reported for		

Major adverse changes in these items could cause instability and should be reported for further evaluation. Adverse conditions noted in these items should normally be described (extent, location, volume, etc.) in the space below and on the back of this sheet.

Inspection Issue #

Comments

9. Largest tree diameter noted was approximately 16 inches.



# Coal Combustion Waste (CCW) Impoundment Inspection

Impoundment NPE	DES Permit # <u>Not Provided</u>	INSPECTOR	Patrick J. Harrison, P.E. Doug P. Simon, P.E.
2 ate			
Impoundment N	ame Primary Ash Pond		
Impoundment C	ompany _Dynergy Midwest (	Generation, LLC	
EPA Region _R	egion V		
State Agency (F	ield Office) Addresss <u>Illinois</u> <u>Spring</u>	s Department of Nat gfield, Illinois	ural Resources
Name of Impour	ndment <u>Primary Ash Pond</u>		
(Report each imp Permit number)	poundment on a separate form	under the same Imp	oundment NPDES
New X	Update		
		Yes	No
Is impoundment	currently under construction?		X
Is water or ccw of	currently being pumped into		
the impoundment	nt?		X
IMPOUNDME	NT FUNCTION:Settlemen	nt and Impoundment	t of Ash
Noorost Downst	Nome Town I Nome	111	
Distance from th	e impoundment Approxim	ville	
Impoundment	ie impoundment <u>Approxim</u>	alery 7.5 miles	
Location:	Longitude 89 Degrees	52 Minutes (	5 Seconds
	Latitude <u></u> Degrees	<u>11</u> Minutes	Seconds
	State <u>Illinois</u> County _	Randolph	
Does a state age	ncy regulate this impoundment	? YES <u>x</u> NO	
If So Which Stat	te Agency? The Illinois Depar	rtment of Natural Re	esources regulates the
	discharge of water	r (NPDES Permit).	

**<u>HAZARD POTENTIAL</u>** (In the event the impoundment should fail, the following would occur):

**LESS THAN LOW HAZARD POTENTIAL:** Failure or misoperation of the dam results in no probable loss of human life or economic or environmental losses.

**\_\_\_\_\_ LOW HAZARD POTENTIAL:** Dams assigned the low hazard potential classification are those where failure or misoperation results in no probable loss of human life and low economic and/or environmental losses. Losses are principally limited to the owner's property.

X SIGNIFICANT HAZARD POTENTIAL: Dams assigned the significant hazard potential classification are those dams where failure or misoperation results in no probable loss of human life but can cause economic loss, environmental damage, disruption of lifeline facilities, or can impact other concerns. Significant hazard potential classification dams are often located in predominantly rural or agricultural areas but could be located in areas with population and significant infrastructure.

**\_\_\_\_\_ HIGH HAZARD POTENTIAL:** Dams assigned the high hazard potential classification are those where failure or misoperation will probably cause loss of human life.

# DESCRIBE REASONING FOR HAZARD RATING CHOSEN:

Failure of the dam would not result in probable loss of life but could result in economic and environmental damages to areas outside of the owners property.

# **CONFIGURATION:**



# **<u>TYPE OF OUTLET</u>** (Mark all that apply)



**US EPA ARCHIVE DOCUMENT** 

Has there ever been a failure at this site? YES X NO

If So When? \_\_\_\_\_ February 1995

If So Please Describe :

The executive summary of a failure analysis completed by Woodward-Clyde Consultants, describes the failure as follows:

"The slide occurred in February 1995 on the ash pond south dike over a distance of about 500 lineal feet at a location where the dike is the tallest (55 ft) and crossed a former creek. The dike was constructed in two phases; a 35 ft high compacted clay dike built in 1969, and a 20 ft high "raise" constructed in 1989 on the upstream slope of the older dike. The 1989 raise consists of two materials: 1) bottom ash placed underwater extending to the creast of the older dike, and 2)compacted clay above the bottom ash extending to the current crest. A former haul road consisting of lime treated bottom ash and gravel existing as the crest of the old dike and is hydraulically connected to the bottom ash fill. Both clay dikes were well compacted; the bottom ash is very loose due to underwater placement....The overall slide consists of two portions: shallow and deep."

The elevation of the failed portion of the embankment was lowered to elevation 434 feet and an intermediate dike built to relieve pressure. Construction of the intermediate dike separated the secondary fly ash pond from the primary ash impoundment.

Has there ever been significant seepages at this site?	YES	NO <u>X</u>
If So When?		
F So Please Describe:		

Has there ever been any measures undertaken to m Phreatic water table levels based on past seenages	onitor/lower		
at this site?	YES	NO _	N/A
If so, which method (e.g., piezometers, gw pumpin	ng,)?		
If so Please Describe :			



Site Name:	Baldwin Energy Co	mplex		Date:	5/24/11		
Unit Name:	Secondary Fly Ash	Pond		Operator's Name:	Dynergy Midwest	Generatio	n, LLC
Unit I.D.:				Hazard Potential C	Classification: High	Significant	Low
Inspector's Name:	: Patrick J. Harrison, P	.E. and	Doug	P. Simon, P.E.			
Check the appropriate box b	elow. Provide comments whe	en approp	riate. If r	ot applicable or not available	, record "N/A". Any unusua	al conditions o	r
embankment areas. If separ	ate forms are used, identify a	oproximate	e area th	at the form applies to in comr	nents.		_
		Yes	No			Yes	No
1. Frequency of Company's	s Dam Inspections?	Wee	ekly	18. Sloughing or bulging on	slopes?		√
2. Pool elevation (operator	records)?	430	0.0	19. Major erosion or slope of	deterioration?		√
3. Decant inlet elevation (o	perator records)?	430	0.0	20. Decant Pipes:			
4. Open channel spillway e	elevation (operator records)?	NA		Is water entering inlet, b	out not exiting outlet?		√
5. Lowest dam crest elevat	tion (operator records)?	434	4.0	Is water exiting outlet, b	ut not entering inlet?		√
6. If instrumentation is pres recorded (operator record	sent, are readings rds)?	$\checkmark$		Is water exiting outlet flo	owing clear?	$\checkmark$	
7. Is the embankment curre	ently under construction?		<	21. Seepage (specify location and approximate seepage r	on, if seepage carries fines ate below):	,	
8. Foundation preparation topsoil in area where emba	(remove vegetation,stumps, ankment fill will be placed)?	$\checkmark$		From underdrain?			$\checkmark$
9. Trees growing on embar largest diameter below)	nkment? (If so, indicate	$\checkmark$		At isolated points on em	bankment slopes?		✓
10. Cracks or scarps on cre	est?		$\checkmark$	At natural hillside in the	embankment area?		√
11. Is there significant settl	ement along the crest?		$\checkmark$	Over widespread areas?	)		√
12. Are decant trashracks	clear and in place?		✓	From downstream found	lation area?		√
13. Depressions or sinkhol whirlpool in the pool are	es in tailings surface or ea?		$\checkmark$	"Boils" beneath stream c	or ponded water?		$\checkmark$
14. Clogged spillways, groi	in or diversion ditches?		$\checkmark$	Around the outside of th	ne decant pipe?		√
15. Are spillway or ditch lin	ings deteriorated?		✓	22. Surface movements in	valley bottom or on hillside	?	√
16. Are outlets of decant of	r underdrains blocked?		$\checkmark$	23. Water against downstre	am toe?		$\checkmark$
17. Cracks or scarps on slo	opes?		$\checkmark$	24. Were Photos taken duri	ng the dam inspection?	✓	

Major adverse changes in these items could cause instability and should be reported for further evaluation. Adverse conditions noted in these items should normally be described (extent, location, volume, etc.) in the space below and on the back of this sheet.

Inspection Issue #

<u>Comments</u>

4. There was no open channel spillway present.

9. Largest tree diameter noted was approximately 16 inches.



## Coal Combustion Waste (CCW) Impoundment Inspection

Impoundment NPDES Permit # <u>Not Provided</u> Date <u>May 24, 2011</u>	_ INSPECTOR_ <u>Patrick J. Harrison, P.E.</u> _ Doug P. Simon, P.E.
Impoundment Name <u>Secondary Fly Ash Pond</u> Impoundment Company <u>Dynergy Midwest Ger</u> EPA Region <u>Region V</u> State Agency (Field Office) Addresss <u>Illinois E</u> <u>Springfie</u> Name of Impoundment <u>Secondary Fly Ash Po</u> (Report each impoundment on a separate form un Permit number)	Department of Natural Resources eld, Illinois nd der the same Impoundment NPDES
New X Update	
Is impoundment currently under construction? Is water or ccw currently being pumped into the impoundment?	Yes No X X
IMPOUNDMENT FUNCTION:Settlement :	and Impoundment of ash.
Nearest Downstream Town : Name <u>Evansvil</u> Distance from the impoundment <u>Approximate</u> Impoundment Location: Longitude <u>89</u> Degrees <u>Latitude 38</u> Degrees <u>State Illinois</u> County <u>R</u>	le ely 7.5 miles 52 Minutes <u>14</u> Seconds 11 Minutes <u>26</u> Seconds andolph
Does a state agency regulate this impoundment?	YES <u>x</u> NO
If So Which State Agency? <u>The Illinois Departm</u>	nent of Natural Resources regulates the

discharge of water (NPDES Permit).

**<u>HAZARD POTENTIAL</u>** (In the event the impoundment should fail, the following would occur):

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# DESCRIBE REASONING FOR HAZARD RATING CHOSEN:

Failure of the dam would not result in probable loss of life but could result in economic and environmental damages to areas outside of the owners property.

# **CONFIGURATION:**



# **<u>TYPE OF OUTLET</u>** (Mark all that apply)



**US EPA ARCHIVE DOCUMENT** 

Has there ever been a failure at this site? YES X NO

If So When? \_\_\_\_\_ February 1995

If So Please Describe :

The executive summary of a failure analysis completed by Woodward-Clyde Consultants, describes the failure as follows:

"The slide occurred in February 1995 on the ash pond south dike over a distance of about 500 lineal feet at a location where the dike is the tallest (55 ft) and crossed a former creek. The dike was constructed in two phases; a 35 ft high compacted clay dike built in 1969, and a 20 ft high "raise" constructed in 1989 on the upstream slope of the older dike. The 1989 raise consists of two materials: 1) bottom ash placed underwater extending to the creast of the older dike, and 2)compacted clay above the bottom ash extending to the current crest. A former haul road consisting of lime treated bottom ash and gravel existing as the crest of the old dike and is hydraulically connected to the bottom ash fill. Both clay dikes were well compacted; the bottom ash is very loose due to underwater placement....The overall slide consists of two portions: shallow and deep."

The elevation of the failed portion of the embankment was lowered to elevation 434 feet and an intermediate dike built to relieve pressure. Construction of the intermediate dike separated the secondary fly ash pond from the primary ash impoundment.
Has there ever been significant seepages at this site? YES _	NO <u>X</u>
If So When?	
IF So Please Describe:	

Has there ever been any measures undertaken to monitor/lower Phreatic water table levels based on past seepages or breaches				
at this site?	YES	NO _	N/A	
If so, which method (e.g., piezometers, gw pumpir	ng,)?			
If so Please Describe :				

Coal Combustion Dam Inspection Checklist Form



Site Name:	Baldwin Energy Cor	mplex		Date:	5/24/11		
Unit Name:	Secondary Pon	d		Operator's Name:	Dynergy Midwest	Generatio	n, LLC
Unit I.D.:				Hazard Potential C	Classification: High	Significant	Low
Inspector's Name:	Patrick J. Harrison, P.	.E. and	Doug	P. Simon, P.E.			
Check the appropriate box bel	ow. Provide comments whe	n approp	oriate. If r	not applicable or not available	, record "N/A". Any unusua	al conditions o	<u>,r</u>
embankment areas. If separate	e forms are used, identify ap	proxima	te area th	at the form applies to in comm	nents.		_
		Yes	No			Yes	No
1. Frequency of Company's I	Dam Inspections?	We	ekly	18. Sloughing or bulging on	slopes?		√
2. Pool elevation (operator re	ecords)?	39	6.1	19. Major erosion or slope of	leterioration?		√
3. Decant inlet elevation (ope	erator records)?	39	5.0	20. Decant Pipes:	See Note Below		
4. Open channel spillway ele	evation (operator records)?	40	0.0	Is water entering inlet, b	out not exiting outlet?		
5. Lowest dam crest elevation	n (operator records)?	40	2.0	Is water exiting outlet, b	ut not entering inlet?		
6. If instrumentation is preser recorded (operator records	nt, are readings s)?		$\checkmark$	Is water exiting outlet flo	owing clear?		
7. Is the embankment curren	tly under construction?		$\checkmark$	21. Seepage (specify location and approximate seepage r	on, if seepage carries fines ate below):	3	
8. Foundation preparation (re topsoil in area where emband	emove vegetation,stumps, kment fill will be placed)?	$\checkmark$		From underdrain?			$\checkmark$
9. Trees growing on embank largest diameter below)	ment? (If so, indicate	√		At isolated points on em	bankment slopes?		✓
10. Cracks or scarps on cres	t?		✓	At natural hillside in the	embankment area?		✓
11. Is there significant settler	ment along the crest?		$\checkmark$	Over widespread areas?	•		$\checkmark$
12. Are decant trashracks cle	ear and in place?		✓	From downstream found	ation area?		√
13. Depressions or sinkholes whirlpool in the pool area	s in tailings surface or a?		$\checkmark$	"Boils" beneath stream c	or ponded water?		$\checkmark$
14. Clogged spillways, groin	or diversion ditches?		✓	Around the outside of th	e decant pipe?		$\checkmark$
15. Are spillway or ditch lining	gs deteriorated?		✓	22. Surface movements in v	alley bottom or on hillside	?	√
16. Are outlets of decant or u	underdrains blocked? See	Note E	elow	23. Water against downstre	am toe?	$\checkmark$	
17. Cracks or scarps on slop	es?		✓	24. Were Photos taken duri	ng the dam inspection?	✓	
Major advorso change	es?	ld cau	√ so inst:	24. Were Photos taken duri	ng the dam inspection?	✓	

Major adverse changes in these items could cause instability and should be reported for further evaluation. Adverse conditions noted in these items should normally be described (extent, location, volume, etc.) in the space below and on the back of this sheet.

Inspection Issue #

Comments

9. Largest tree diameter noted was approximately 3 inches.

16/20. Outlet not accessible due to location under downstream pond

elevation.



#### Coal Combustion Waste (CCW) Impoundment Inspection

Impoundment NPDES Permit # Not ProvidedINSPECTOR Patrick J. Harrison, P.EDate May 24, 2011Doug P. Simon, P.E.
Impoundment Name Secondary Pond
Impoundment Company
EPA Region
State Agency (Field Office) Addresss Illinois Department of Natural Resources
Springfield, Illinois
Name of Impoundment <u>Secondary Pond</u>
(Report each impoundment on a separate form under the same Impoundment NPDES Permit number)
New X Update
Yes No
Is impoundment currently under construction? X Is water or ccw currently being pumped into
the impoundment?

#### IMPOUNDMENT FUNCTION: \_\_\_\_\_Clarification of water prior to discharge.

Nearest Downstrea	am Town :	Name	Evans	ville			
Distance from the	impoundme	nt	Approxim	ately 7	.5 miles	_	
Impoundment	-		11	2			
Location:	Longitude	89	Degrees	52	_ Minutes _	33	Seconds
	Latitude	38	Degrees	11	_ Minutes _	32	Seconds
	State Illino	is	County _	Rando	olph		

Does a state agency regulate this impoundment? YES <u>x</u> NO \_\_\_\_\_

If So Which State Agency? <u>The Illinois Department of Natural Resources regul</u>ates the discharge of water (NPDES Permit).

**<u>HAZARD POTENTIAL</u>** (In the event the impoundment should fail, the following would occur):

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#### **DESCRIBE REASONING FOR HAZARD RATING CHOSEN:**

Failure of the dam would not result in probable loss of life and economic and environmental damages would be principally limited to the owner's property.

#### **CONFIGURATION:**



#### **<u>TYPE OF OUTLET</u>** (Mark all that apply)



Has there ever been a failure at this site? YES	NO	X
If So When?		
If So Please Describe :		

Has there ever been significant seepages at this site? YES _	NO <u>X</u>
If So When?	
IF So Please Describe:	

Has there ever been any measures undertaken to monitor/lower Phreatic water table levels based on past seepages or breaches				
at this site?	YES	NO _	N/A	
If so, which method (e.g., piezometers, gw pumpir	ng,)?			
If so Please Describe :				

Site Name

**Baldwin Energy Complex** 

5/24/11



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Unit Name: Intermediate Pond			Operator's Name: Dynergy Midwest Ge	eneratio	n, LLC	
Unit I.D.:				Hazard Potential Classification: High s	ignificant	Low
Inspector's Name: Pa	trick J. Harrison, P	.E. and	Doug	P. Simon, P.E.		
Check the appropriate box below	. Provide comments whe	n approp	riate. If r	not applicable or not available, record "N/A". Any unusual o	conditions o	r
construction practices that should	I be noted in the commer	its section	n. For lar	ge diked embankments, separate checklists may be used	for different	_
embankment areas. If separate fo	orms are used, identify ap	oproximat	e area th	at the form applies to in comments.		
		Yes	No		Yes	No
1. Frequency of Company's Dar	n Inspections?	We	ekly	18. Sloughing or bulging on slopes?		
2. Pool elevation (operator reco	rds)?	39	4.0	19. Major erosion or slope deterioration?		v
3. Decant inlet elevation (operat	tor records)?	39	4.0	20. Decant Pipes: See Note Below		
4. Open channel spillway elevat	ion (operator records)?	39	8.9	Is water entering inlet, but not exiting outlet?		
5. Lowest dam crest elevation (	operator records)?	40	0.0	Is water exiting outlet, but not entering inlet?		
6. If instrumentation is present, recorded (operator records)?	are readings		$\checkmark$	Is water exiting outlet flowing clear?		
7. Is the embankment currently	under construction?		$\checkmark$	21. Seepage (specify location, if seepage carries fines, and approximate seepage rate below):		
8. Foundation preparation (remotion to preparation) to provide the second strain of the second strain terms and terms an	ove vegetation,stumps, ent fill will be placed)?	$\checkmark$		From underdrain?		✓
9. Trees growing on embankme largest diameter below)	nt? (If so, indicate	$\checkmark$		At isolated points on embankment slopes?		v
10. Cracks or scarps on crest?			$\checkmark$	At natural hillside in the embankment area?		v
11. Is there significant settlemer	nt along the crest?		$\checkmark$	Over widespread areas?	$\checkmark$	
12. Are decant trashracks clear	and in place?		✓	From downstream foundation area?		v
13. Depressions or sinkholes in whirlpool in the pool area?	tailings surface or		$\checkmark$	"Boils" beneath stream or ponded water?		✓
14. Clogged spillways, groin or	diversion ditches?		✓	Around the outside of the decant pipe?		
15. Are spillway or ditch linings	deteriorated?		√	22. Surface movements in valley bottom or on hillside?		·
16. Are outlets of decant or und	erdrains blocked? S	ee Note	Below	23. Water against downstream toe?	$\checkmark$	
17. Cracks or scarps on slopes?	>		1	24. Were Photos taken during the dam inspection?		

Data.

Major adverse changes in these items could cause instability and should be reported for further evaluation. Adverse conditions noted in these items should normally be described (extent, location, volume, etc.) in the space below and on the back of this sheet.

Inspection Issue #

Comments

9. Largest tree diameter noted was approximately 3 inches.

16/20. Outlet not accessible due to dense vegetation.

21. Embankments reportedly designed as flow-through filtration

structures. Based on visual estimates, 400 gallons per minute discharge through the embankment.



#### Coal Combustion Waste (CCW) Impoundment Inspection

Impoundment NPDES Permit # Not Provided	INSPECTOR Detrict I Harrison DE
Date <u>May 24, 2011</u>	Doug P. Simon, P.E.
Impoundment Name <u>Intermediate Pond</u> Impoundment Company <u>Dynergy Midwest Gener</u> EPA Region <u>Region V</u> State Agency (Field Office) Addresss <u>Illinois Dep</u> <u>Springfield</u> Name of Impoundment Intermediate Pond	ration, LLC partment of Natural Resources
(Report each impoundment on a separate form unde Permit number)	r the same Impoundment NPDES
New X Update	
Is impoundment currently under construction? Is water or ccw currently being pumped into the impoundment?	Yes No X
<b>IMPOUNDMENT FUNCTION:</b> <u>Clarification c</u>	of water prior to discharge.
Nearest Downstream Town : Name <u>Evansville</u> Distance from the impoundment <u>Approximately</u> Impoundment Location: Longitude 89 Degrees 52	<u>7.5 miles</u>

tion:Longitude <u>89</u> Degrees <u>52</u> Minutes <u>38</u> SecondsLatitude <u>38</u> Degrees <u>11</u> Minutes <u>27</u> SecondsState <u>Illinois</u> County <u>Randolph</u>

Does a state agency regulate this impoundment? YES <u>x</u> NO \_\_\_\_\_

If So Which State Agency? <u>The Illinois Department of Natural Resources regul</u>ates the discharge of water (NPDES Permit).

**<u>HAZARD POTENTIAL</u>** (In the event the impoundment should fail, the following would occur):

**\_\_\_\_\_ LESS THAN LOW HAZARD POTENTIAL:** Failure or misoperation of the dam results in no probable loss of human life or economic or environmental losses.

<u>X</u> LOW HAZARD POTENTIAL: Dams assigned the low hazard potential classification are those where failure or misoperation results in no probable loss of human life and low economic and/or environmental losses. Losses are principally limited to the owner's property.

\_\_\_\_\_SIGNIFICANT HAZARD POTENTIAL: Dams assigned the significant hazard potential classification are those dams where failure or misoperation results in no probable loss of human life but can cause economic loss, environmental damage, disruption of lifeline facilities, or can impact other concerns. Significant hazard potential classification dams are often located in predominantly rural or agricultural areas but could be located in areas with population and significant infrastructure.

**\_\_\_\_\_ HIGH HAZARD POTENTIAL:** Dams assigned the high hazard potential classification are those where failure or misoperation will probably cause loss of human life.

#### **DESCRIBE REASONING FOR HAZARD RATING CHOSEN:**

Failure of the dam would not result in probable loss of life and economic and environmental damages would principally limited to the owner's property.

#### **CONFIGURATION:**



#### **<u>TYPE OF OUTLET</u>** (Mark all that apply)



Has there ever been a failure at this site? YES	NO	X
If So When?		
If So Please Describe :		

lf	So When?
F	So Please Describe:
	The embankment is reportedly designed as a 'flow through' dam.
	<u> </u>

Has there ever been any measures undertaken to m Phreatic water table levels based on past seenages	onitor/lower		
at this site?	YES	NO _	N/A
If so, which method (e.g., piezometers, gw pumpir	ng,)?		
If so Please Describe :			

Coal Combustion Dam Inspection Checklist Form



Site Name: Baldv	vin Energy Com	nplex		Date: 5/24/11		
Unit Name:	Final Pond			Operator's Name: Dynergy Midwest O	Generatio	n, LLC
Unit I.D.:				Hazard Potential Classification: High	Significant	Low
Inspector's Name: Patrick	k J. Harrison, P.E	E. and	Doug	P. Simon, P.E.		
Check the appropriate box below. Pro-	vide comments when	approp	riate. If r	ot applicable or not available, record "N/A". Any unusual	conditions o	<u>r</u>
embankment areas. If separate forms a	are used, identify app	proximat	e area th	at the form applies to in comments.		_
		Yes	No		Yes	No
1. Frequency of Company's Dam Insp	pections?	We	ekly	18. Sloughing or bulging on slopes?		√
2. Pool elevation (operator records)?		39	2.7	19. Major erosion or slope deterioration?		√
3. Decant inlet elevation (operator rec	cords)?	39	2.7	20. Decant Pipes: See Note Below		
4. Open channel spillway elevation (o	operator records)?	39	4.3	Is water entering inlet, but not exiting outlet?		
5. Lowest dam crest elevation (operation	tor records)?	39	8.0	Is water exiting outlet, but not entering inlet?		
<ol><li>If instrumentation is present, are re recorded (operator records)?</li></ol>	eadings		$\checkmark$	Is water exiting outlet flowing clear?		
7. Is the embankment currently under	r construction?		$\checkmark$	21. Seepage (specify location, if seepage carries fines, and approximate seepage rate below):		
8. Foundation preparation (remove ve topsoil in area where embankment fill	egetation,stumps, I will be placed)?	$\checkmark$		From underdrain?		$\checkmark$
<ol> <li>Trees growing on embankment? (In largest diameter below)</li> </ol>	f so, indicate	$\checkmark$		At isolated points on embankment slopes?		√
10. Cracks or scarps on crest?			$\checkmark$	At natural hillside in the embankment area?		✓
11. Is there significant settlement alor	ng the crest?		$\checkmark$	Over widespread areas?	✓	
12. Are decant trashracks clear and in	n place?		✓	From downstream foundation area?		√
13. Depressions or sinkholes in tailing whirlpool in the pool area?	gs surface or		$\checkmark$	"Boils" beneath stream or ponded water?		$\checkmark$
14. Clogged spillways, groin or divers	sion ditches?		✓	Around the outside of the decant pipe?		$\checkmark$
15. Are spillway or ditch linings deteri	iorated?		✓	22. Surface movements in valley bottom or on hillside?		√
16. Are outlets of decant or underdrai	ins blocked? See	Note I	Below	23. Water against downstream toe?	$\checkmark$	
17. Cracks or scarps on slopes?			$\checkmark$	24. Were Photos taken during the dam inspection?	✓	
Major adverse changes in th	hese items could	d caus	se insta	bility and should be reported for		

Major adverse changes in these items could cause instability and should be reported for further evaluation. Adverse conditions noted in these items should normally be described (extent, location, volume, etc.) in the space below and on the back of this sheet.

Inspection Issue #

Comments

9. Largest tree diameter noted was approximately 18 inches.

16/20. Outlet not accessible due to dense vegetation.

21. Embankments reportedly designed as flow-through filtration

structures. Based on visual estimates, 400 to 800 gallons per minute discharge through the embankment.



#### Coal Combustion Waste (CCW) Impoundment Inspection

Impoundment NPDES Permit # <u>Not Provided</u> Date <u>May 24, 2011</u>	INSPECTOR <u>Patrick J. Harrison, P.E</u> Doug P. Simon, P.E.
Impoundment NameFinal Pond Impoundment CompanyDynergy Midwest Generat EPA RegionRegion V State Agency (Field Office) AddresssIllinois Depa Springfield, J Name of ImpoundmentFinal Pond (Report each impoundment on a separate form under the Permit number)	tion, LLC rtment of Natural Resources Illinois the same Impoundment NPDES
New X Update	
Is impoundment currently under construction? Is water or ccw currently being pumped into the impoundment?	Yes No X
<b>IMPOUNDMENT FUNCTION:</b> <u>Clarification of</u>	water prior to discharge.
Nearest Downstream Town :NameEvansvilleDistance from the impoundmentApproximately 7Impoundment Location:Longitude89Degrees52Latitude38Degrees11State IllinoisCountyRander	2.5 miles _ Minutes41 Seconds _ Minutes25 Seconds olph
Does a state agency regulate this impoundment? YES	S_XNO
If So Which State Agency? The Illinois Department	of Natural Resources regulates the

discharge of water (NPDES Permit).

**US EPA ARCHIVE DOCUMENT** 

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**<u>HAZARD POTENTIAL</u>** (In the event the impoundment should fail, the following would occur):

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#### DESCRIBE REASONING FOR HAZARD RATING CHOSEN:

Potential failure of the impoundment embankment could result in significant environmental impacts to areas outside of Utility owned property.

#### **CONFIGURATION:**



#### **<u>TYPE OF OUTLET</u>** (Mark all that apply)



**US EPA ARCHIVE DOCUMENT** 

Has there ever been a failure at this site? YES	NO	X
If So When?		
If So Please Describe :		

So When?				
So Please Descri	he:			
The ombonkment	is reportedly desig	mad as a 'flow	through' dam	
	is reponently desig	gneu as a now	unougn dam.	

Has there ever been any measures undertaken to m Phreatic water table levels based on past seenages	onitor/lower		
at this site?	YES	NO _	N/A
If so, which method (e.g., piezometers, gw pumpir	ng,)?		
If so Please Describe :			

#### APPENDIX D

PREVIOUS INSPECTION REPORTS

Name of Dam Baldwin Ener	gy Complex Ash Ponds	Dam ID No. N/A
Permit NumberN/A	Class of Da	mN/A
Location Section To	ownship Rar	nge
Owner Dynegy Mid Nam	west Generation e	618-785-2294 Telephone Number (Day)
10901 Baldwin Rd	ot	618-785-2228
Baldwin, IL 6221 City Zip (	7 Code	County Randolph / St Clair
Type of Dam Homogeneo	us Earth Dams	
Type of Spillway Drop Inl	ets	
Date(s) Inspected Februa	ry 20, 2009	
Weather When Inspected	Sunny	
Temperature When Inspe	cted 35 degrees F	
Pool Elevation When Ins	pected	
Tailwater Elevation When	Inspected NA	
10 400 cm20	Inspection I	Personnel:
NONROE DE	Kenneth M E Name	Berry, P.E. Sr Proj Engr (URS) Title
REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER Beury	<u>Phil L. Morris</u> Name	s, P.E. Environmental Professional Title
1111 OF 11.11 11 11/09	Name	Title
Professional Engineer's	Seal Name	Title

#### **Dam Inspection Report**

The Department of Natural Resources is requesting information that is necessary to accomplish the statutory purpose as outlined under the River, Lakes and Streams Act. 615 ILCS 5. Submittal of this information is REQUIRED. Failure to provide the required information could result in the initiation of non.-compliance procedures as outlined in Section 3702.160 of the "Rules for Construction and Maintenance of Dams.

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#### CONDITION CODES

- NE No evidence of a problem
- GC Good condition
- MM Item needing minor maintenance and/or repairs within the year, the safety or integrity of the item is not yet imperiled
- IM Item needing immediate maintenance to restore or ensure its safety or integrity
- EC Emergency condition which if not immediately repaired or other appropriate measures taken could lead to failure of the dam
- OB Condition requires regular observation to ensure that the condition does not become worse
- NA Not applicable to this dam
- NI Not inspected -list the reason for non-inspection under deficiencies

Vegetation needs to be cut and periodic inspections are recommended.

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ITEM	CONDITION	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
Surface Cracks	Ш Z	ΨZ	
Vertical and Horizontal Alignment of Crest	CO	NA	
Unusual Movement or Cracking' At or Beyond Toe	RE	AN	
Sloughing or Erosion of Embankment and Abutment Slopes	OB/MM	AN	Erosion from pumping activities at SW corner of active secondary fly ash pond. Observe and make repairs if erosion worsens. Likewise, observe occasional erosion channels on south exterior embankment. Large stretches of exterior embankments contained thick and tall vegetation which limited vision.
Upstream Face Slope Protection	09	NA	
Seepage	Ш И	NA	
Filter and Filter Drains	NE	NA	

EARTH EMBANKMENT (Continued)

ITEM	CONDITION CODE	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
	NE	NA	
Animal Damage			
Embankment Drainage Ditches	C B	NA	
Vegetative Cover	WW	MM	Vegetation needs to be cut along interior and exterior of berms. Trees in excess of 3 inches in diameter should be removed and have compacted earth placed where the root ball was removed. Trees less than 3 inches in diameter should be cut or sprayed with a herbicide.
Other (Name)	ΡN		
Other –	AN		
Other -	NA		
Other	NA		

# **CONCRETE OR MASONRY DAMS**

ITEM	CONDITION CODE	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
Seepage	ΨN		
Structure to Abutment! Embankment Junctions	ΨN		
Water Passages	ΝΑ		
Foundation	ΥN		
Surface Cracks in Concrete Surfaces	AN		
Structural Cracking	NA		
Vertical and Horizontal Alignment	AN		

## CONCRETE OR MASONARY DAMS (CONTINUED)

ITEM	CONDITION	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
Monolith Joints	NA		
	VV		
Contruction Joints	ΕN.		
Spalling of Concrete	A	×	
Filters; Drains, etc.	ΑN		
Riprap	AA		
Other (Name)	Ą		

IF THE DAM IS GATED - Fill out the portion of the Principal Spillway Form related to Gated Spillways

### PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY APPROACH CHANNEL

ITEM	CONDITION CODE	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
Debris	ΨN		
Side Slope Stability	ΨN		
Slope Protection	AN		
Other (Name)	ΨN		
Other	NA		
Other	AN		
Other	Υ		

**PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY** 

x Drop Inlet Spillway

Overflow Spillway Structure

□ Gated

	CONDITION		RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND
	NE	Underwater	
Erosion, Spalling, Cavitation			
Structure to Embankment Junction	ပ္ပ	Underwater	
Drains	NA	NA	
Seepage Around or Into Structure	Z	Underwater	
Surface Cracks	Z	Underwater	
Structural Cracks	Z	Underwater	

IF THE SPILLWAY IS GATED FILL OUT THE SPILLWAY SECTION

x Drop Inlet Spillway

PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY (Continued)

□ Gated

ITEM	CONDITION CODE	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
Alignment of Abutment Walls	AA	¥ Z	
Construction Joints	AN	NA	
Filter and Filter Drains	NA	NA	
Trash Racks	NA	NA	
Bridge and Piers	NA	NA	
Differential Settlement	RA	NA	
Other (Name)	NA	NA	

IF THE SPILLWAY IS GATED FILL OUT THE GATES SECTION
PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY (Continued)

RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE □ Gated DEFICIENCIES ΝA AN NA ΨN ₹ ٩N NA AN Υ CONDITION CODE NE AN ₹ ШZ ШZ ШZ ШZ ШZ ΔA Seepage Around of Into Conduit x Conduit Erosion, Spalling, Cavitation Differential Settlement Structural Cracks Joint Separation Surface Cracks Other (Name) Trash Racks Alignment ITEM

PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY (Continued)

RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE DEFICIENCIES CONDITION CODE A ٨A ٨A A AN ٨A ٩N ٨A ٩N Erosion, Spalling, Cavitation Expansion and Contraction Joints Structure to Embankment Junction Differential Settlement Construction Joints Structural Cracks Surface Cracks Wall Alignment Other (Name) Chute ITEM

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Other:	DEFICIENCIES							
Dewatering	CONDITION CODE	AN	AN	Ч	N	Ϋ́	AN	AN
Principal Spillway	ITEM	Gate Sili	Gate Seals	Gate and Frame	Operating Machinery	Emergency Operating Machinery	Other (Name)	Other

OUTLET WORKS IF SEPARATE FROM PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY STRUCTURE

ITEM	CONDITION CODE'	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
Erosion. Spalling, Cavitation	AN		
Joint Separation	NA		
Seepage Around or Into Conduit	AN		
Intake Structure	AN		
Outlet Structure	ΨX		
Outlet Channel	Υ		
Riprap	ΨN		
Other (Name)	AN		
Other	AN		

**ENERGY DISSIPATOR** 

Principal Spillway

Outlet Works

Type:			
ITEM	CONDITION CODE	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
Erosion, Spalling, Cavitation	AN		
Structure to Embankment Junction	AN		
Construction Joints	AN		
Surface Cracks	AN		
Structural Cracks	NA		
Differential Alignment	NA		
Expansion and Contraction Joints	NA		

ENERGY DISSIPATOR (Continued)

Principal Spillway

Outlet Works

ITEM	CONDITION CODE	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
Riprap	NA	AN	
Outlet Channel	NA	A	
Debris	AA	AN	
Other (Name)	AN		
Other	NA		
Other	AA		
Other	A		

**EMERGENCY SPILLWAY** 

Other: Name

□ Earth

RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE DEFICIENCIES CONDITION A AN AN ΔA NΑ AN AN M ٩N Downstream Channel Side Slope Sloughing Weeds, Logs. Other Obstructions Settlement of Crest Sedimentation Other (Name) Vegetation Erosion Riprap ITEM

## SUMMARY OF MAINTENANCE DONE AND/OR

## REPAIRS MADE SINCE THE LAST INSPECTION

DATE OF PRESENT INSPECTION February 20, 2009

DATE OF LAST INSPECTION

1. EARTH EMBANKMENT DAMS

## 2. CONCRETE MASONARY DAMS

## 3. PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY

## 4. OUTLET WORKS

## 5. EMERGENCY SPILLWAY

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		AGRICULTURAL BUILDINGS	0								
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		OCCUPIED HOMES		ļ							
	MILES DOWNSTREAM	FROM DAM	0 to ¼	½ to ½	1⁄2 to ¾	¾ to 1	1 to 1 ¼	1 ½ to 1 ½	1 ½ to 1 ¾	1 ¾ to 2	OVER 2

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The number of homes, buildings, or other items in the floodplain downstream of the dam should be placed in the appropriate row and column to designate their location.

## **Owner's Maintenance Statement**

I. \_\_\_\_\_, owner of <u>Baldwin PS Ash Disposal Complex</u> dam,
 Dam Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_, in <u>Randolph</u> County,
 am maintaining the dam in accordance with the accepted maintenance plan

which is part of Permit Number\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature

Date

## **Owner's Operation and Maintenance Plan Statement**

I. \_\_\_\_\_, owner of Dynegy PS Ash Disposal Complex dam,

Dam Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_, in <u>Randolph</u> County,

have reviewed the operation and maintenance plan including the Emergency

Action Plan (EAP), which is part of Permit Number\_\_\_\_\_.

I have enclosed the appropriate revisions or

have determined that no revisions to the plan are necessary.

Signature

Date

The Department of Natural Resources is requesting information that is necessary to accomplish the statutory purposes as outlined under the River, Lakes and Streams Act, 615 ft. CS 5. Submatat of this information is REQUIRED. Failure to provide the required information could result in technication inco-compliance procedures as outlined in Section 3702,150 of the Trutes for Construction and Maintenanco of Dams."

Dam	Inspection	Report	
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Permit Number N/A	Class of	DamN/A
_ocation Section Township	р Б	Range
Owner Dynegy Midwest Ge Name	neration	<u>618-785-2294</u> Telephone Number (Day)
10901 Baldwin Rd Street		618-785-2228 Telephone Number (Night)
Baldwin, IL 62217 City Zip Code	-	County Randolph
Type of Dam Homogeneous Eart	h Dams	
Type of Spillway Drop Inlets		
Date(s) Inspected March 24, 201	0	
Weather When Inspected Sunr	ν	
Temperature When Inspected	50 degre	es F
Pool Elevation When Inspected	+/- 430 s	econdary ash pond, +/- 450 primary
Tailwater Elevation When Inspe	cted NA	
	Inspecti	on Personnel:
STATETH MONROE OF	Kenneth Name	M Berry, P.E. Sr Proj Engr (URS) Title
REGISTERED ROFES MADELLY	Phil L. M Name	lorris, P.E. Environmental Professional Title
H/28/10	<u>Dominic</u> Name	Wright, P.E. Plant Engineer Title
Professional Engineer's Seal	Name	Title

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- EC Emergency condition which if not immediately repaired or other appropriate measures taken could lead to failure of the dam
- OB Condition requires regular observation to ensure that the condition does not become worse
- NA Not applicable to this dam

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NI - Not inspected «list the reason for non-inspection under deficiencies

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Vegetation needs to be cut and periodic inspections are recommended.

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EARTH EMBANKMENT

ШЦ	CONDITION CODE	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
	NE	NA	Visibility was very limited due to vegetation.
Surface Cracks			
	CC	NA	
Vertical and Horizontal Alignment of Crest			
	NE	NA	
Unusual Movement or Cracking' At or Beyond Toe			
Sloughing or Erosion of Embankment and Abutment Slopes	OB/MM	MM	Two deep erosion channels were observed on south exterior embankment. The channels should be cleaned out and backfilled with compacted soil covered with topsoil and reseeded.
	NA		
Upstream Face Slope Protection		NA	
Seepage	ШN	NA	Access and visibility for locating seepage or wet areas was very limited due to vegetation.
Filter And Filter Drains	ШZ	AN	

EARTH EMBANKMENT (Continued)

ITEM	CONDITION CODE	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
Animal Damage	Ш Х	NA	
Embankment Drainage Ditches	ШZ	NA	
Vegetative Cover	W	MM	Vegetation needs to be cut along interior and exterior of embankments. Trees in excess of 3 inches in diameter should be removed and have compacted earth placed where the root ball was removed. Trees less than 3 inches in diameter should be cut or sprayed with a herbicide.
Other (Name)	AN		
Other –	NA		
Other -	A		
Other	AN		

CONCRETE OR MASONRY DAMS

X	CONDITION	DEFICIENCIES	ECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
Seenade	AN		
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Structure to Abutment! Embankment Junctions	Υ		
Water Passages	M		
Foundation	NA		
Surface Cracks in Concrete Surfaces	AN		
Structural Cracking	AN		
Vertical and Horizontal Alignment	AA		

## CONCRETE OR MASONARY DAMS (CONTINUED)

ITEM	CONDITION CODE	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
Monolith Joints	ΨN		
	NA		
Contruction Joints			
Spalling of Concrete	AN		
Filters; Drains, etc.	AN		
Riprap	Ϋ́		
Other (Name)	ΡN		

IF THE DAM IS GATED - Fill out the portion of the Principal Spillway Form related to Gated Spillways

## PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY APPROACH CHANNEL

N L	CONDITION CODE	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
Debris	AN		
Side Slope Stability	Ą		
Slope Protection	ЧЧ		
Other (Name)	Ϋ́		
Other	AN		
Other	Ϋ́		
Other	AN		

PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY

x Drop Inlet Spillway

Overflow Spillway Structure

Gated

			PLOOMMENTED DEMENIAL MEACHDES AND
ITEM	CONDITION	DEFICIENCIES	
	NE/NI	Underwater	
Erosion, Spalling, Cavitation			
	NA	Underwater	
Structure to Embankment Junction			
	AN	NA	
Drains			
	z	Underwater	
Seepage Around or Into Structure			
	Z	Underwater	
Surface Cracks			
	ĪZ	Underwater	
Structural Cracks			

IF THE SPILLWAY IS GATED FILL OUT THE SPILLWAY SECTION

x Drop Inlet Spillway

PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY (Continued) Overflow Spillway Structure

□ Gated

×	CONDITION CODE	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
Alignment of Abutment Walls	AN	NA	
Construction Joints	Z	NA	
Filter and Filter Drains	AN	NA	
Trash Racks	Ϋ́	NA·	
Bridge and Piers	NA	A	
Differential Settlement	AN	AN	
Other (Name)	AN	A	

PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY (Continued)

Gated

x Conduit

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PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY (Continued)

RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE DEFICIENCIES CONDITION CODE ٩ ٩Z ¥۷ AΝ ¥Ζ NA AN ΝA AN Erosion, Spalling, Cavitation Expansion and Contraction Joints Structure to Embankment Differential Settlement Construction Joints Structural Cracks Surface Cracks Wall Alignment Other (Name) Chute Junction ITEM

<b>PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY</b>	č

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Other:
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# OUTLET WORKS IF SEPARATE FROM PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY STRUCTURE

TFM	CONDITION CODE'	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
Erosion. Spalling, Cavitation	AN		
Joint Separation	ΨN		
Seepage Around or Into Conduit	AN		
Intake Structure	AN		
Outlet Structure	AN		
Outlet Channel	AN		
Riprap	AN		
Other (Name)	AN		
Other	ΔA		

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Principal Spillway

Outlet Works

Type:			CONTRACTOR STRUCTURES AND MBI EMENTATION
ITEM	CONDITION	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
Erosion, Spalling, Cavitation	AN		
Structure to Embankment Junction	Ą		
Construction Joints	Ą		
Surface Cracks	AN		
Structural Cracks	NA		
Differential Alignment	AN		
Expansion and Contraction Joints	AN		

## ENERGY DISSIPATOR (Continued)

Principal Spillway

□ Outlet Works

Ma	CONDITION CODE	DEFICIENCIES	RECOMMENDED REMEDIAL MEASURES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
	NA	NA	
Riprap			
Outlet Channel	A	ΨZ	
Debris	A	AN	
Other (Name)	A		
Other	M		
Other	A		
Other	AN		

**EMERGENCY SPILLWAY** 

Other: Name

Earth

			DECOMMENDED DEMEDIAL MEASIBES AND
ITEM	CODE	DEFICIENCIES	
	NA		
Erosion			
Weeds, Logs. Other Obstructions	AA		
Side Slope Sloughing	ΥN		
Vegetation	Ϋ́		
Sedimentation	ΨN		
Riprap	AN		
Settlement of Crest	ΨN		
Downstream Channel	ΨZ		
Other (Name)	NA		

## SUMMARY OF MAINTENANCE DONE AND/OR

## REPAIRS MADE SINCE THE LAST INSPECTION

DATE OF PRESENT INSPECTION \_\_\_\_\_ March 24, 2010 \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF LAST INSPECTION \_\_\_\_\_ February 20, 2009

## 1. EARTH EMBANKMENT DAMS

None

## 2. CONCRETE MASONARY DAMS

## 3. PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY

## 4. OUTLET WORKS

## 5. EMERGENCY SPILLWAY

Z Н SKETCH IN DEVELOPMENTS DOWNSTREAM OF THE DAM Η Ash Ponds Railroad Щ MILES. Д = House Д Т **EXCESSIVE EXPRECTED** Economic Loss Potential APPRECIABLE EXPECTED × MINIMAL EXPECTED × × × × × × × × Loss Of Life Potential OVER 10 01 OT 1 × × × **NONE** × × × × × × OTHER DEVELOPMENT (Name) o OTHER DEVELOPMENT (Name) 0 **231111110 GA3H93VO** 0 DOWNSTREAM DEVELOPMENT SMAG 0 ROADS & BRIDGES 0 **SJATI920H** 0 SCHOOLS 0 COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS 0 SONIGLIUB JAIRTRUGNI N AGRICULTURAL BUILDINGS 3 **NNOCCUPIED HOMES** 0 2 **OCCUPIED HOMES** MILES DOWNSTREAM FROM DAM 1 ½ to 1 ¾ 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 1 ¾ to 2 OVER 2 1 to 1 1/4 1/2 to 3/4 1/4 to 1/2 <sup>3</sup>/4 to 1 0 to ¼

The number of homes, buildings, or other items in the floodplain downstream of the dam should be placed in the appropriate row and column to designate their location.

0.25 APPROXIMATE WIDTH OF AFFECTED FLOODPLAIN DOWNSTREAM DEVELOPMENT

### **Owner's Maintenance Statement**

i. \_\_\_\_\_\_, owner of <u>Baldwin PS Ash Disposal Comolex</u> dam,
Dam Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_\_, in <u>Randolph</u> County,
am maintaining the dam in accordance with the accepted maintenance plan
which is part of Permit Number \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Signature

Date

## **Owner's Operation and Maintenance Plan Statement**

I, ....., owner of <u>Dynegy PS Ash Disposal Complex</u> dam,

Dam Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_, in <u>Randolph</u> County,

have reviewed the operation and maintenance plan including the Emergency

Action Plan (EAP), which is part of Permit Number\_\_\_\_\_\_

1 have enclosed the appropriate revisions or

have determined that no revisions to the plan are necessary.

Signature

Date

The Department of Natural Resources is requesting information that is necessary to accomplish the statutory purposes as outfried under the River, Lakes and Streams Act, 615 IL OS 5. Sobmittal of this information is REQUIRED. Tokure to provide the required information could result in the initiation on her-computated procedures as outlined in Section 3702-169 of the "Rules for Construction and Maintenance of Darks."

## APPENDIX E

PHOTOGRAPHS



GZA GeoB	Environmental, Inc.	PHOTOGRAPHIC LOG
Client Name: U.S. EPA	Site Location: Baldwin Ener Baldwin, Illing	rgy Complex Project No. ois 01.0170142.30
Photo No. Date: 3 5/24/11 Direction Photo		
Taken: South		
Description: Seepage from the downstream slope of the Ash Pond Dike.		
Photo No.Date:45/24/11Direction PhotoTaken:Southeast		
<b>Description:</b> Surface grouting/concrete along the downstream slope of Ash Pond Dike. Seepage present beneath the surface grouting in several locations.		



**US EPA ARCHIVE DOCUMENT** 
























# GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc.

Site Location:

# PHOTOGRAPHIC LOG

Project No.

01.0170142.30

Client Name: U.S. EPA

Photo No. <b>29</b>	<b>Date:</b> 5/24/11			
Direction Photo				
Taken:				
East				

## Description:

Discharge pipe for Bottom Ash Process water from the northern part of the Primary Fly Ash Pond to the Secondary Pond.



**Baldwin Energy Complex** 

Baldwin, Illinois

# Photo No.Date:305/24/11Direction PhotoTaken:South

### **Description:**

Discharge pipe for Bottom Ash Process water from the northern part of the Primary Fly Ash Pond to the Secondary Pond.























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GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc.		РНОТ	PHOTOGRAPHIC LOG	
Client Name:	U.S. EPA	Site Location: Baldwin Energy Baldwin, Illinois	y Complex s	Project No. 01.0170142.30
Photo No. 77	<b>Date:</b> 5/24/11			
Direction Pho Taken: <sup>West</sup>	oto			4
Description: Decant structure Intermediate Pon	of the .d.			

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