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Environment and Natural Resources
Division of Waste Management
Solid Waste Section
1646 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1646



Attention: Ms. Elizabeth Stewart
Hydrogeologist, Solid Waste Section

Subject: Duke Energy – Belews Creek Steam Station
Structural Fill Notification
Permit Number 85-03, Stokes County

Dear Ms. Stewart:

Please reference the structural fill notification, which is attached. Please note the following responses to questions raised in your letter dated May 16, 2003 and during the May 16, 2003 site visit at Belews Creek Steam Station:

- Drawing 2 has been revised to indicate a maximum removal of 12 inches of organic soil layer.
- The numbers identified in the ash volume calculations displayed in Table 1 have no significance other than facilitating the volume calculations.
- Duke Energy owns all of the property shown on Drawing 1.
- The site is not located within an area which would be affected by flooding. Therefore, a FEMA-FIRM flood map is not applicable for this site.
- Drawings 2 through 4 are of such a scale that the property boundaries are not visible.
- Drawings 2 through 5 have been revised showing a North arrow.
- Drawings 2 and 4 have been revised to show the extent of the ash fill.
- Drawing 2 and cross section A-A' shown on Drawing 5 have been revised to show a maximum removal of 12 inches of the organic soil layer.
- Borings TW-3, TW-4 and TW-7 were soil borings only. The remainder of the borings had a temporary 1 inch PVC pipe placed in the boring for a 24-hour period in order to verify existence of groundwater. All soil borings were abandoned and backfilled with the soil cuttings.

If additional information is required to ensure a timely response, please contact me at (704) 382-4309.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Allen Stowe".

Allen Stowe, Scientist
Environmental Support

Attachments