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Attention: Mr. Larry Frost

Reference: **Cell 2 Access Request**
Retired Ash Basin (RAB) Ash Landfill
Duke Energy - Allen Steam Station, Belmont, North Carolina
S&ME Project No. 1356-10-009A, Task 05
S&ME Engineering License No. F-0176

Dear Mr. Frost:

On behalf of Duke Energy (Duke), S&ME Inc., (S&ME) is submitting this letter requesting that the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (NCDENR) Division of Waste Management consider approval to access Cell 2 at the RAB ash landfill prior to reaching proposed Cell 1 grades. We prepared this letter based on the telephone discussion between Mr. Larry Frost of NCDENR and Mr. Ken Daly of S&ME on April 13, 2011.

The landfill Operations Plan indicates that Cell 1 grades shall be achieved prior to waste placement in the adjacent Cell 2. The landfill Operations Plan figures illustrate the anticipated Cell 1 and Cell 2 filling grades and heights. These figures were intended to provide only general filling guidance. Duke is requesting access to Cell 2 before filling to the Cell 1 grades and heights illustrated in Operations Plan figures. Accessing Cell 2 will provide the operator a more practical top deck working area and the ability maintain shallower and safer haul road slopes to the top of the landfill.

Please contact us at your convenience if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,
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