History of Construction
Jeffrey Energy Center
Inactive Bottom Ash Pond

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| **USEPA CCR Rule Criteria**  
| 40 CFR §257.73(c) | **Jeffrey Energy Center (JEC)**  
| History of Construction Report –Inactive Bottom Ash Pond |
| §257.73(g) stipulates: | |
| “(g) The owner or operator of the CCR unit must comply with the recordkeeping requirements specified in §257.105(f), the notification requirements specified in §257.106(f), and the internet requirements specified in §257.107(f).” | Section 4.1 and 4.2 |
1.0 INTRODUCTION

APTIM Environmental and Infrastructure, Inc. (APTIM, f/k/a CB&I Environmental & Infrastructure, Inc., CB&I) has prepared the following History of Construction Report (Report) at the request of Westar Energy (Westar) for the inactive Bottom Ash Pond (Pond) located at Jeffrey Energy Center (JEC) in St. Marys, Kansas. JEC is a coal-fired power plant that has been in operation since 1980.

On July 26, 2016 the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) extended the requirements of the Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electric Utilities Final Rule (CCR Rule) 40 CFR §257 and §261, for certain inactive CCR surface impoundments. The Pond has been determined to be inactive by 40 CFR §257.53 and therefore has been deemed to be a regulated, inactive CCR unit by the USEPA through the CCR Rule. Westar is currently in the process of closing the Pond in-place in accordance with §257.100(d) of the CCR Rule and intends to complete closure of the Pond in 2018.

APTIM has reviewed the relevant portions of the facility’s operating record, permit application, and design documents for completion of this Report. This Report meets the requirements set forth within 40 CFR §257.73(c) based on the review of this available information and visual observation from previous annual inspections.
2.0 POND OVERVIEW

Westar owns and operates all waste management units at JEC in St. Marys, Pottawatomie County, Kansas. JEC is located approximately 4.5 miles north of Belvue, Kansas and approximately 4.3 miles west of Highway 63 and resides in Sections 1, 2, 11, and 12, Township 9 South, Range 11 East and Sections 6 and 7, Township 9 South, Range 12 East. The location of the Pond is depicted in Figure 1.

At JEC the Pond is located southeast of Fly Ash Area 1, north of the FGD Landfill, west of Bottom Ash Area 1, and east of the Tower Hill Lake. The Pond has a surface area of 72.1 acres and a normal operating pool of 1,164 feet mean seal level (ft MSL). Site topography prior to closure is depicted in Figure 2.

A Type C fly ash berm and overflow was constructed in the 1980’s to separate the Pond and Tower Hill Lake. In 2000 the berm was expanded by raising the embankment and adding an auxiliary spillway, and it was permitted (DPT-0160) as a dam (Pond Dam).

The Pond Dam is approximately 25-feet high, 1,050-feet long, with a 30-foot wide crest, approximate 3H:1V side slopes, and a crest elevation of 1,170 ft MSL. The open flow spillway serves as the outlet from the Pond to Tower Hill Lake and is approximately 450-feet long, 40-feet wide, with 3H:1V side slopes. It has a rock control crest at 1,165 ft MSL. The upstream side of the spillway is lined with a minimum of 1.5-foot thick layer of limestone riprap.

The Pond is currently dewatered and in the process of closure. The Pond has not received CCR material prior to October 2015. Historically the Pond received CCR material from the plant, stormwater run-off, decant water from Bottom Ash Area 1, and miscellaneous process waters.
3.0 HISTORY OF CONSTRUCTION

In accordance with §257.73(c)(1), the history of construction has been compiled from available information sources and is presented in the following subsections.

3.1 Site Name and Ownership Information (§257.73(c)(1)(i))

Owner/Operator:
Westar Energy, Inc.
818 S. Kansas Avenue
Topeka, KS 66612

CCR Unit Name(s):
Bottom Ash Pond (inactive unit)

State CCR Identification Number:
Not Applicable

3.2 CCR Unit Location Map (§257.73(c)(1)(ii))

The location of the JEC and the Pond are depicted on Figure 1 and Figure 2.

3.3 Statement of Purpose (§257.73(c)(1)(iii))

The Pond has been deemed to be a regulated, inactive CCR unit and stopped receiving CCR prior to October 2015. Currently, the Pond is being dewatered to facilitate a closure of the inactive CCR Unit. Historically the Pond settled out CCR material fines prior to discharging into Tower Hill Lake.

3.4 Watershed Description (§257.73(c)(1)(iv))

JEC, including the Pond is located within the Middle Kansas Watershed - 10270102 Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC), which has a total catchment area of 1,395,582 acres in north central Kansas, and includes the counties of Douglas, Geary, Jackson, Jefferson, Marshall, Nemaha, Pottawatomie, Riley, Shawnee, and Wabaunsee.

3.5 Physical and Engineering Properties (§257.73(c)(1)(v))

The Pond is characterized as a “cross-valley” impoundment. The impoundment foundation and abutment materials primarily consists of the native underlying geologic materials, in ascending order, including: Roca Shale; Grenola Limestone; Eskridge Shale; and Beattie Limestone. The Pond construction does not include any engineered pond liner system, however, the Pond Dam is constructed of a Type C fly ash material that separates the Pond and Tower Hill Lake.

3.6 Site Preparation/Construction Activities (§257.73(c)(1)(vi))

The embankment was primarily constructed of Type C fly ash materials generated from plant operations. It is reported that the fly ash materials were placed in lifts between 9 and 15 inches, at suitable moisture content and compacted.

In the year 2000, the Pond Dam was expanded by raising the embankment and adding instrumentation and the spillway structure. The expansion was reportedly designed by Black.
& Veatch Consulting Engineers approved and stamped by the DWR Chief Engineer on June 29, 2000. The permit number for the Pond Dam is DPT-0160.

Additional Pond construction history and sub-surface characterization information can be found in the following documents:

- Fines Containment Dam – Stability Report, Black & Veatch, April 1999
- Phase II Hydrogeologic Investigation and Bottom Ash Pond Characterization Report ( Burns & McDonnell, August 2009), and

3.7 Engineering Diagrams for CCR Impoundment (§257.73(c)(1)(vii))

Available historical engineering diagrams for the Pond and Pond Dam are provided in Appendix A. Additional engineering diagrams, including various cross section through the inactive CCR unit, have been prepared as part of the final Pond closure design phase and are included in Appendix B.

3.8 Description of Instrumentation (§257.73(c)(1)(viii))

The Pond Dam has a standpipe piezometer (WR-3) which is located on the eastern edge of the spillway. This is used to monitor the water level within the Pond Dam and is sampled every 30 days per the CCR Rule. Potentiometric elevations within this piezometer generally shows the upper water surface to be located near the water elevation of the Pond.

3.9 Area-Capacity Curves for the CCR Units (§257.73(c)(1)(ix))

Area/Capacity data for the subject CCR pond unit was calculated by APTIM utilizing the most recent site topographic survey (PEC 2016). The Area/Capacity curve for the CCR pond unit is provided in Appendix C.

3.10 Spillway/Diversion Design Features and Capacity Calculations (§257.73(c)(1)(x))

The Pond includes a two spillway structures serving as outlets from the Pond to Tower Hill Lake. The south outlet structure was designed and constructed as part of the original Pond Dam. The south outlet structure is an open-channel spillway approximately 450-feet long, 40-feet wide, with 3H:1V side slopes. It has a rock control crest at 1,165 ft MSL. The upstream side of the spillway is lined with a minimum of 1.5-foot thick layer of limestone riprap. The south outlet structure manages stormwater flow from adjacent areas to the south captured by the south diversion ditch and the southern portion of the capped Pond.

The north outlet structure was designed and constructed as part of Pond closure activities. The CCR unit has been dewatered and is currently undergoing closure via capping in-place. The north outlet structure is a concrete-lined box culvert connecting stormwater flows from adjacent areas to the north captured by the north diversion ditch and the northern portion of the capped Pond. The box culvert is approximately 271-feet long, 12-feet wide, and 6-feet tall. The downstream side of the box culvert is lined with riprap to minimize erosion or scour.
APTIM has modeled and calculated an updated capacities for the spillway structures for the 100-year, 24-hour storm event as part of the Inflow Design Flood Control System Plan in accordance with §257.82.

3.11 Construction Specifications and Provisions for Surveillance, Maintenance/Repair
§257.73(c)(1)(xi)

No construction specifications associated with the inactive CCR unit’s initial construction were available for review.

Inspections of the impoundment and associated Pond Dam are critical components and are conducted on a regular basis at the facility. Annual inspections are performed by a qualified professional engineer, and at least weekly by trained plant personnel. In addition, inspections are performed after unusual events such as storms. The inspections provide assurance that structures are sound and that action is taken, as needed, based on the findings.

Safety inspections of the impoundment and associated Pond Dam are conducted as required by the CCR rule. The most recent annual inspection was conducted in May 2017, and was completed in compliance with the frequency of inspection timeframe set forth in §257.83(b)(4). The most recent facility inspection report; Annual Inspection Report, Jeffrey Energy Center – Inactive Bottom Ash Pond, dated June 2017, was completed by CB&I Environmental and Infrastructure, Inc., on behalf of Westar.

3.12 Known Records of Structural Instability
§257.73(c)(1)(xii)

There are no records and/or known instances of structural instability associated with the inactive Pond. As previously indicated, a prior stability evaluation and report concerning the Pond Dam was completed in 1999 by Black & Veatch, which concluded:

“\textit{In summary, the fines containment dam has satisfactory factors of safety for normal and earthquake loading conditions. The factors of safety exceed the minimums provided by KSDWR and accepted industry standards}.”
4.0 RECORDS RETENTION AND MAINTENANCE

4.1 Incorporation of Report into Operating Record (§257.73(g))

§257.105(f) of 40 CFR Part §257 provides record keeping requirements to ensure that this Report will be placed in the facility’s operating record. Specifically, §257.105(f) stipulates:

§257.105(f): “(f) Design criteria. The owner or operator of a CCR unit subject to this subpart must place the following information, as it becomes available, in the facility’s operating record: (9) The history of construction, and any revisions of it, as required by §257.73(c), except that these files must be maintained until the CCR unit completes closure of the unit in accordance with §257.102.”

This Report will be placed within the Facility Operating Record upon Westar’s review and approval.

4.2 Notification Requirements (§257.73(g))

§257.106(f) of 40 CFR Part §257 provides guidelines for the notification of the availability of the Report. Specifically, §257.106(f) stipulates:

§257.106(f): “(f) Design criteria. The owner or operator of a CCR unit subject to this subpart must notify the State Director and/or appropriate Tribal authority when information has been placed in the operating record and on the owner or operator’s publicly accessible internet site. The owner or operator must: (8) Provide notification of the availability of the history of construction, and any revision of it, specified under §257.105(f)(9).”

The State Director and appropriate Tribal Authority will be notified upon placement of this Report in the Facility Operating Record.

§257.107(f) of 40 CFR Part §257 provides publicly accessible Internet site requirements to ensure that this Report is accessible through the Westar webpage. Specifically, §257.107(f) stipulates:

§257.107(f): “(f) Design criteria. The owner or operator of a CCR unit subject to this subpart must place the following information on the owner or operator’s CCR Web site: (8) The history of construction, and any revisions of it, specified under §257.105(f)(9).”

This Report will be uploaded to Westar’s CCR Compliance Reporting Website upon Westar’s review and approval.

4.3 Changes to History of Construction (§257.73(c)(2))

The Report will be updated to reflect any significant changes to the history of construction information presented in Section 3.0. The update Report will then be placed in the facility’s operating record as required by §257.105(f)(9), if applicable.
FIGURES

Figure 1 - Inactive Bottom Ash Pond, Site Location Plan
Figure 2 - Inactive Bottom Ash Pond, Site Topography Prior to Closure
**LEGEND**

- CCR UNIT BOUNDARY
- KDHE-BWM INDUSTRIAL LANDFILL PERMIT NO. 0399 BOUNDARY

**NOTES**

1. AERIAL TOPO OBTAINED FROM USGS 7.5-MINUTE SERIES, EMMETT AND LACLEDE QUADRANGLE, KANSAS, 2014.
2. ALL BOUNDARIES ARE APPROXIMATE.

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FIGURE 1
FGD LANDFILL
SITE LOCATION PLAN

APPROVED BY:       PROJ. NO.:       DATE:  
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1. EXISTING CONTOURS DEVELOPED BY PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS IN APRIL 2016.
2. FOR CLARITY, NOT ALL SITE FEATURES MAY BE SHOWN.
3. ALL BOUNDARY AND FEATURE LOCATIONS ARE APPROXIMATE.

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APPENDIX A

Historical Construction Diagrams
Figure 1
PRECONSTRUCTION TOPOGRAPHY AND SITE LOCATION
JEFFREY ENERGY CENTER
ST MARY'S, KANSAS

NOTE:
1. TOPOGRAPHY FROM 1964 REVISED 1978
POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY, KANSAS 7.5 MINUTE SERIES MAP.
NOTES:

1. TOPOGRAPHY SHOWN WITHIN PERMITTED BOUNDARY FROM 1964 (REVISED 1978) POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY, KANSAS 7.5 MINUTE SERIES MAP.


4. THE TOP OF THE BLUE RAPIDS SHALE WAS NOT OBSERVED DURING THE HYDROGEOLOGIC INVESTIGATION.


6. PZ-GR-7S FORMERLY MW-GR-7.

Figure 14
GEOLoGIC SURFACE MAP
JEFFREY ENERGY CENTER
ST. MARY'S, KANSAS
APPENDIX B

Construction Diagrams & Cross-Sections for Closure of Inactive CCR Unit
APPENDIX C

Area-Capacity Curves for Inactive Unit