

**Certification Statement
Completion of Closure
Winyah Generating Station, Closed Unit 2 Slurry Pond**

The South Carolina Public Service Authority (Santee Cooper) is implementing the April 17, 2015, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Federal Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) Rule (40 CFR §§257 and 261) for the Winyah Generating Station, located in Georgetown County, South Carolina.

In accordance with §257.102(f)(3), the owner or operator of the CCR unit must obtain a certification from a qualified professional engineer verifying that closure has been completed in accordance with the closure plan specified in §257.102(b) and the requirements of §257.102. §257.102(c) requires the owner or operator of the CCR unit to meet two criteria for determining closure completion when closing by removal:

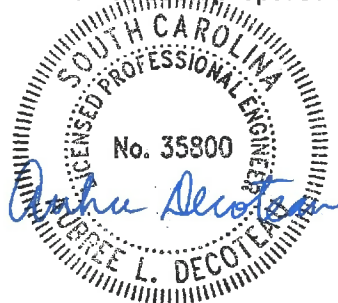
1. When constituent concentrations throughout the CCR unit and any areas affected by releases from the CCR unit have been removed; and
2. Groundwater monitoring concentrations do not exceed the groundwater protection standards established pursuant to §257.95(h) for constituents listed in Appendix IV of 40 CFR Part 257.

Santee Cooper has completed CCR, non-CCR, and underlying soil removal for the above-referenced CCR unit in accordance with the closure plan specified in §257.102(b) and a state-approved closure plan. On November 9, 2017, a Santee Cooper qualified professional engineer (QPE) certified the completion of closure in accordance with state requirements. South Carolina's Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) approved the completion of closure on February 5, 2018, on the basis of the QPE's certification and a site visit. Additionally, all Appendix IV constituent concentrations in associated groundwater monitoring wells are below the groundwater protection standards established under 40 CFR Part 257 as of the date of this certification. The groundwater monitoring data and statistical evaluations have been documented in the Annual Groundwater Monitoring and Corrective Action Reports published on Santee Cooper's public website.

CERTIFICATION

I, Aubree Decoteau, being a Registered Professional Engineer in the State of South Carolina, do hereby certify to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, that the information contained herein is true and correct and has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted good engineering practices.

Signature



Date 7/10/2023