Certification/Demonstration for 2-Year Extension of Time to Complete Closure
40 CFR §257.102(f)
Winyah Generating Station
CCR Unit: Ash Pond A

The South Carolina Public Service Authority (Santee Cooper) is implementing the April 17, 2015, U.S. EPA Federal Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) Rule (40 CFR 257) for the Ash Pond A at Winyah Generating Station, located in Georgetown County, South Carolina.

In accordance with §257.102(e), Santee Cooper initiated closure of the Ash Pond A on April 11, 2021. Santee Cooper is closing this 90-acre surface impoundment by removal in accordance with §257.102(c) and the written closure plan.

Closure-by-removal is complete as stated in §257.102(c) when:

- CCR has been removed;
- Any areas affected by releases from the CCR unit have been removed or decontaminated; and
- Groundwater monitoring concentrations of the constituents listed in Appendix IV to 40 CFR Part 257 do not exceed groundwater protection standards established pursuant to §257.95(h).

Closure is not considered complete under 40 CFR § 257.102(c) due to the current groundwater monitoring concentrations exceeding the established groundwater protection standards. Ash Pond A is currently working through the Corrective Action process as required by the CCR Rule.

The unit completed physical closure-by-removal of CCR material in March 2026. Under the CCR rule the pond is not closed due to the groundwater monitoring concentrations. Therefore, it is not feasible to complete closure of the unit due to factors beyond the facility's control as the unit continues in the Corrective Action process.

Based on the demonstration above, Santee Cooper is certifying a 2-year extension in accordance with 40 CFR §257.102(f)(2) due to factors beyond the facility's control to change the closure deadline of April 11, 2026, to April 11, 2028.

Santee Cooper will continue to meet the CCR requirements for the Winyah Ash Pond A during the extended closure period.

Certification:

I, William Stevick, certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this demonstration and all attached documents, and that, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment.

William R Stevick II

Signature

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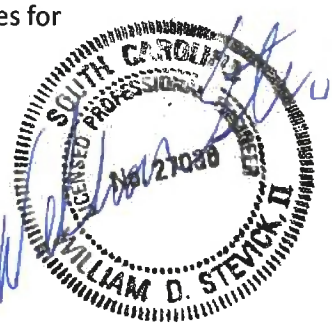
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