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**RE:     Periodic Inflow Design Flood Control System Plan  
          Sluice Trench and Area East of Sluice Trench  
          EPA CCR Rule  
          TVA Kingston Fossil Plant  
          Harriman, Tennessee**

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## **1.0     PURPOSE**

This letter documents certification that the Sluice Trench and Area East of Sluice Trench at the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) Kingston Fossil Plant complies with the inflow design flood control system requirements set forth in 40 CFR 257.82(a)&(b) of the EPA CCR Rule. The EPA CCR Rule requires periodic inflow design flood control system plan assessments, certified by a qualified professional engineer, every five years. The initial certification of the inflow design flood control system plan was placed in the operating record on April 17, 2018.

## **2.0     INITIAL INFLOW DESIGN FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEM PLAN ASSESSMENT**

The initial inflow design flood control system plan (prepared in accordance with 40 CFR 257.82(c)(1)) is attached. At the time of the 2018 initial assessment, the Sluice Trench was closed, and the area East of the Sluice Trench was in the process of being closed. The Sluice Trench and Area East of Sluice Trench cannot impound water; therefore, hydraulic calculations are not necessary. The initial assessment found that the Sluice Trench and Area East of Sluice Trench met the requirements of 40 CFR 257.82(a)&(b).

## **3.0     CURRENT INFLOW DESIGN FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEM PLAN ASSESSMENT**

Stantec reviewed the result of the initial inflow design flood control system plan assessment and the changes in site conditions that have occurred in the past five years at the site. The following operational changes and other factors were considered in this periodic assessment:

1. Closure of the Sluice Trench was completed prior to the initial inflow design flood control system plan assessment.
2. Closure of the Area East of Sluice Trench was completed on May 6, 2019.
3. The Sluice Trench and Area East of Sluice Trench are closed and cannot impound water.
4. The hazard classification of the unit (and the resulting inflow design control flood) has not changed from the original hazard classification assessment.



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In the initial assessment conducted in 2018, the unit was in the process of being closed; therefore, it was evaluated in the closed condition. Closure of the unit was completed per the general design. Based on our current review, there are no conditions that have changed in the past five years that would cause the result of the initial inflow design flood control system plan assessment to have changed.

#### 4.0 SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT

Based on a review of the initial inflow design flood control system plan and the items listed in Section 3.0, the result of this periodic inflow design flood control system plan assessment is that the Sluice Trench and Area East of Sluice Trench at the Kingston Fossil Plant meets the requirements of §257.82(a)&(b) of the EPA CCR Rule.

#### 5.0 QUALIFIED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER CERTIFICATION

I, Stephen H. Bickel, being a Professional Engineer in good standing in the State of Tennessee, do hereby certify, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief:

1. that the information contained in this certification is prepared in accordance with the accepted practice of engineering;
2. that the information contained herein is accurate as of the date of my signature below; and
3. that the inflow design flood control system plan for the TVA Kingston Fossil Plant's Sluice Trench and Area East of Sluice Trench meets the requirements specified in 40 CFR 257.82(a), (b), and (c)(1).

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ATTACHMENTS:

Initial Inflow Design Flood Control System Plan



**INITIAL INFLOW DESIGN FLOOD  
CONTROL SYSTEM ASSESSMENT**



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**Initial Inflow Design Flood Control System Plan  
Sluice Trench and Area East of the Sluice Trench  
EPA Final CCR Rule  
TVA Kingston Fossil Plant  
Roane County, Tennessee**

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**1.0 PURPOSE**

This letter documents AECOM's certification of the initial inflow design flood control system plan for the TVA Kingston Fossil Plant's Sluice Trench and Area East of the Sluice Trench. Based on the assessment, the Sluice Trench and Area East of the Sluice Trench comply with the inflow design flood control requirements in the Final CCR Rule 40 CFR §257.82.

**2.0 INFLOW DESIGN FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEM PLAN**

As described in 40 CFR §257.82(c), an inflow design flood control system plan must be prepared to document how the inflow design flood control system has been designed and constructed to manage the design storm required by the hazard classification. Based on the Hazard Potential Classification, the Sluice Trench and Area East of the Sluice Trench have been assigned a significant hazard potential classification rating. However, under existing conditions, the Sluice Trench is completely closed and cannot impound water. Therefore, hydraulic calculations are not necessary for this demonstration.

**4.0 Limitations**

The signature of AECOM's authorized representative on this document represents that to the best of AECOM's knowledge, information and belief in the exercise of its professional judgment, it is AECOM's professional opinion that the aforementioned information is accurate as of the date of such signature. Any recommendation, opinion, or decisions by AECOM are made on the basis of AECOM's experience, qualifications and professional judgment and are not to be construed as warranties or guaranties. In addition, opinions relating to environmental, geologic, and geotechnical conditions or other estimates are based on available data and actual conditions may vary from those encountered at the times and locations where data are obtained, despite the use of due care.



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2. that the information contained herein is accurate as of the date of my signature below; and
3. that the inflow design flood control system plan for the TVA Kingston Fossil Plant's Sluice Trench and Area East of the Sluice Trench meet the requirements specified in 40 CFR §257.82(a), (b), and (c)(1).

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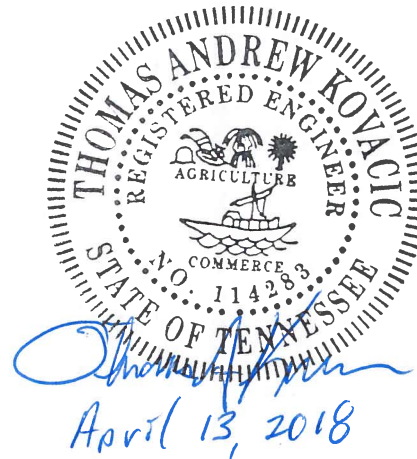
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ATTACHMENTS: Initial Inflow Design Flood Control System Plan for Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) Inactive Surface Impoundment



**COAL COMBUSTION PRODUCT DISPOSAL PROGRAM**  
**TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY - SLUICE TRENCH AND AREA EAST OF THE**  
**SLUICE TRENCH**  
**KINGSTON FOSSIL PLANT**  
**HARRIMAN, TENNESSEE**

**INITIAL INFLOW DESIGN FLOOD**  
**CONTROL SYSTEM PLAN**  
**(40 CFR §257.82)**  
**FOR COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS (CCR)**  
**EXISTING SURFACE IMPOUNDMENT**

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## 1.0 BACKGROUND

This plan outlines compliance to **Rule §257.82** of the EPA Final CCR Rule.

The owner or operator of an existing CCR surface impoundment must design, construct, operate, and maintain an inflow design flood control system as specified in **Rule §257.82 (a)**, which is directly stated below for clarity.

**Rule §257.82(a)(1)**: The inflow design flood (IDF) control system must adequately manage flow into the CCR unit during and following the peak discharge of the inflow design flood.

**Rule §257.82(a)(2)**: The inflow design flood control system must adequately manage flow from the CCR unit to collect and control the peak discharge resulting from the inflow design flood.

**Rule §257.82(a)(3)**: The inflow design flood is:

- (i): For a high hazard potential CCR surface impoundment, the probable maximum flood;
- (ii): For a significant hazard potential CCR surface impoundment, the 1,000-year flood;
- (iii): For a low hazard potential CCR surface impoundment, the 100-year flood; or
- (iv): For an incised CCR surface impoundment, the 25-year flood.

According to **Rule §257.82(b)**, discharge from the CCR unit must be handled in accordance with the surface water requirements under **§257.3-3**.

Section **§257.82(c)(1)** states that the owner or operator must prepare initial and periodic inflow design flood control system plans for the CCR unit according to the timeframes specified in paragraphs **(c)(3)** and **(4)**. The plans must document how the inflow design flood control system has been designed and constructed to meet the requirements of the section. Each plan must be supported by appropriate engineering calculations. The owner or operator of the CCR unit has completed the inflow design flood control system plan when the plan has been placed in the facility's operating record.

Section **§257.82(c)(2)** allows amendments to the written inflow design flood control system plan at any time and requires amendments to the written inflow design flood control system plan whenever there is a change in conditions that would substantially affect the written plan in effect. The revised plan must be placed in the facility's operating record.

Section **§257.82(c)(3)** requires that the initial inflow design flood control system plan be completed no later than October 17, 2016.

Section **§257.82(c)(4)** states that the owner or operator must prepare periodic inflow design flood control system plans every five years.

Section **§257.82(c)(5)** requires a certification from a qualified professional engineer stating that the initial and periodic inflow design flood control system plans meet the requirements of **Rule §257.82**.

According to **Rule §257.82(d)**, the owner or operator must comply with recordkeeping, notification, and internet requirements specified elsewhere in the Rule.

## 1.1 SITE LOCATION

Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) owns and operates the Kingston Fossil Plant (KIF) in Harriman, Roane County, Tennessee. KIF is located in Watts Bar Reservoir on the confluence of the Emory and Clinch Rivers. The Sluice Trench and Area East of the Sluice Trench are centrally located within KIF and adjacent to the Emory River (See **Figure 1**). The Sluice Trench is an inactive Coal Combustion Residual (CCR) impoundment that was closed and capped in 2017. Closure began in 2016 and was completed in September of 2017. The Non-CCR Process Water Basin was constructed over the capped Sluice Trench to provide water treatment for KIF process flow. The Area East of Sluice Trench will be closed in 2018 but cannot currently impound water.

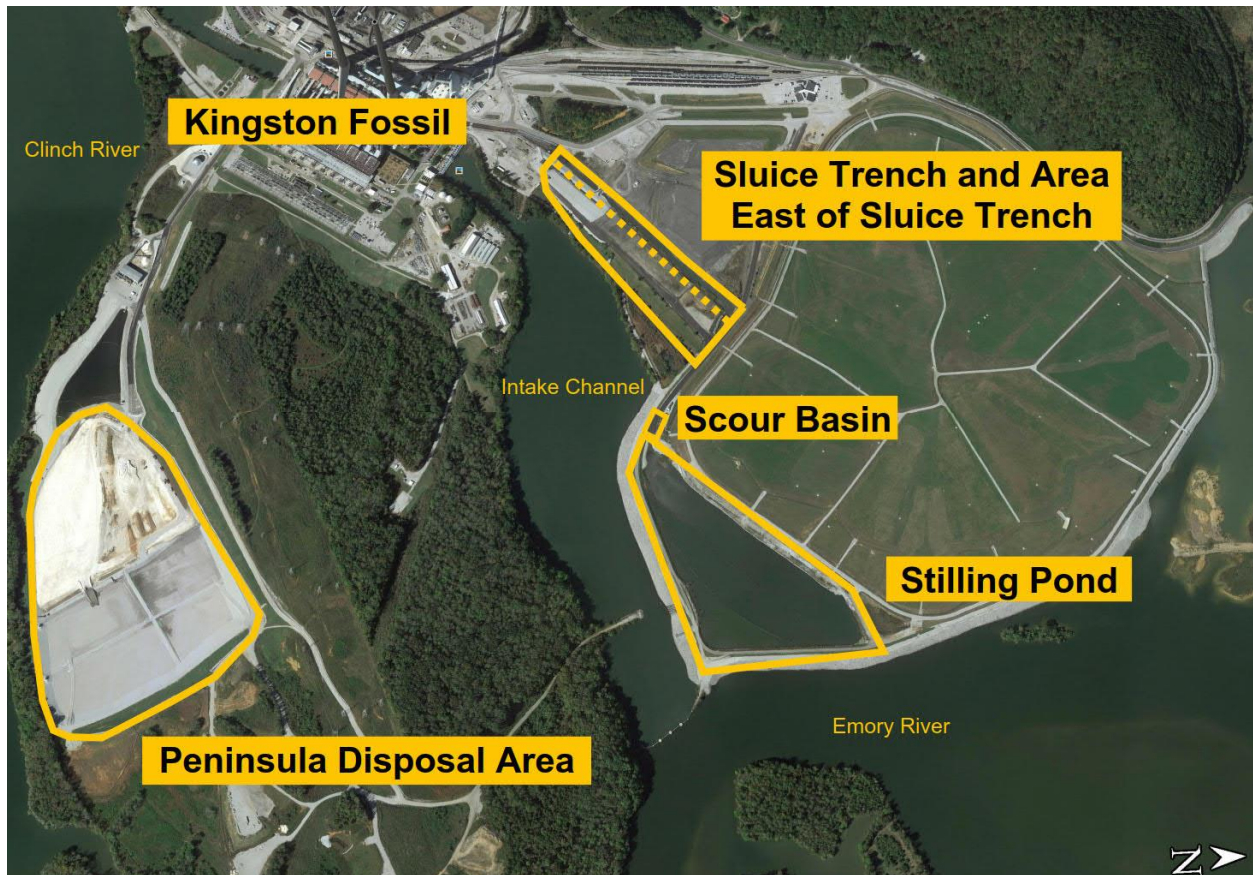


Figure 1: Site Overview

## 1.2 SITE HISTORY

The Sluice Trench was constructed in the southeastern portion of the Initial Ash Pond. As of October 14, 2015, TVA began managing bottom ash from the plant by sluicing it to a series of freestanding tanks. The Sluice Trench was closed in place between 2016 and September 2017. CCRs were removed to the extent possible prior to closure. Refer to the Kingston Fossil Plant

(KIF) Sluice Trench and Area East of the Sluice Trench Closure (40 CFR 257.102(B)(1)) and Post-Closure Plan ((40 CFR 257.104(D)(1)) For Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) for details on the closure of The Sluice Trench.

## **2.0 EXISTING CONDITIONS - §257.82(a)(1)**

Under existing conditions, the Sluice Trench cannot impound water and its closure cap surface area drains to the Scour Basin. The Scour Basin has a total drainage area of approximately 112 acres. The following areas are included in the drainage area:

- The Closed Recovery Area
- Ditch 11 and surrounding areas
- The Initial Ash Pond Cap Closure system
- The Dewatering Facility
- The Scour Basin

Stormwater runoff from the south Initial Ash Pond Closure area, Dewatering Facility, and Sluice Trench closure drain to a perimeter ditch and gravity flows to Ditch 11. The closed Recovery Area, Initial Ash Pond Closure area, and areas surrounding Ditch 11 gravity flow through Ditch 11 to the Scour Basin. The Scour Basin includes a drop box and culvert outlet structure and conveys stormwater to the new stormwater outfall that discharges into the Emory River through the approved National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) outfall. See the attached reference drawings in Appendix A.

## **3.0 CONCLUSIONS**

The entire Sluice Trench footprint is completely closed per Final CCR Rule 40 CFR §257.82 and no longer can impound water. Therefore, hydraulic calculations are not necessary for this demonstration. The Area East of the Sluice Trench is anticipated to be closed in 2018. Again, this area does not have the ability to impound water so hydraulic calculations are not necessary for this area.

## 4.0 REFERENCES

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4. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Atlas 14, Volume 2, Version 3; 2016
5. United States Army Corps of Engineers, Hydrologic Modeling System (HEC-HMS), Version 4.0, 2016.

**APPENDIX A**  
**REFERENCE DRAWINGS**

