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April 10, 2001

Mr. John E. Randolph, Environmental Specialist
Division of Surface Water
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
Northwest District Office
347 North Dunbridge Rd.
Bowling Green, Ohio 43402-0466

Dear Mr. Randolph:

Subject: Exceedance of Discharge Limitations for the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Number 2IB00011*FD

On April 4, 2001 it was determined that the discharge limitation for Total Suspended Solids (TSS) at the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Outfall 601 was exceeded. The TSS value was 50 mg/L, which exceeds the daily limit of 45 mg/L. At this time we cannot determine when a reduction will be achieved, however, all other water quality indicators are well within discharge limits.

In accordance with the NPDES permit for the DBNPS this information was provided to you in a telephone conversation on April 4, 2001 with a member of my staff, Mr. Alfred M. Percival. This is the second confirmation letter being sent due to this algae bloom. The previous letter (DBNPS letter number RAOG 01-14) confirmed the 30 day average limitation and the daily limitation being exceeded on March 30, 2001. Since we cannot determine when a reduction will be achieved, the DBNPS will make telephone notifications as required by the DBNPS NPDES Permit. This letter should satisfy written reporting requirements as specified in Part III, Paragraph 12.C. for the duration of this exceedance of the TSS due to the algae bloom. As stated in our previous letter (RAOG 01-14) we are continuing to gather information on similar experiences throughout our industry and will initiate the proper actions to return to compliance.

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If you require additional information, please contact Mr. Gregory W. Gillespie, Manager-Chemistry, at (419) 321-7268.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. W. Bergendahl", written in a cursive style.

Howard W. Bergendahl

Plant Manager

Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station

Attachment

AWB/s

cc: K. S. Zellers, DB-1 NRC Senior Resident Inspector
USNRC Document Control Desk

COMMITMENT LIST

The following list identifies those actions committed to by the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station in this document. Any other actions discussed in the submittal represent intended or planned actions by Davis-Besse. They are described only as information and are not regulatory commitments. Please notify the Manager – Regulatory Affairs (419-321-8450) at Davis-Besse of any questions regarding this document or associated regulatory commitments.

COMMITMENTS

DUE DATE

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