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**BELL BEND NUCLEAR POWER PLANT
SCHEDULE UPDATE: ENVIRONMENTAL
REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION H 4.2-1
BNP-2011-051 Docket No. 52-039**

- References:
- 1) S. Imboden (NRC) to R. Sgarro (PPL Bell Bend, LLC), Requests for Additional Information Related to the Environmental Review for the Combined License Application for Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant, dated July 10, 2009
 - 2) R. R. Sgarro (PPL Bell Bend, LLC) to Document Control Desk (NRC), Environmental Request for Additional Information H 4.2-1 Schedule Update, dated January 20, 2011


The purpose of this letter is to inform the staff that additional time is required to finalize the response to Request for Additional Information (RAI) H 4.2-1 identified in the Reference 1. Reference 2 provided schedule information for this RAI.

The reports requested by RAI H 4.2-1 are no longer applicable as a result of the decision to relocate the plant footprint within the existing project boundary in order to reduce wetlands impacts. New engineering studies and associated groundwater modeling have been performed to reflect the construction dewatering requirements of the relocated Nuclear Island, Cooling Towers and the Essential Service Water Emergency Makeup System (ESWEMS) retention pond. A "Construction Dewatering Design Report" has been prepared to evaluate the existing groundwater conditions and to provide recommendations for the temporary construction dewatering system.

PPL is currently assessing the impacts that the new Construction Dewatering Design Report will have on the COLA. This letter creates a new commitment to provide the H 4.2-1 response on or before March 30, 2011.

Should you have questions or need additional information, please contact the undersigned at 570.802.8102.

Respectfully,


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