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**BELL BEND NUCLEAR POWER PLANT
REQUEST FOR DEFERRAL OF PUBLIC NOTICE
OF JOINT PERMIT APPLICATION
BNP-2011-192 Docket No. 52-039**

- References:
- 1) BNP-2011-118, T.L. Harpster (PPL) to J. Buczynski (DEP) and A. Elliott (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers), "Joint Permit Application and Request for Water Quality Certification", dated June 29, 2011.
 - 2) BNP-2011-171, T. L. Harpster (PPL) to J. Longmore (LCD), "Plant NPDES Individual Stormwater Permit Application Revision No. 1", dated September 19, 2011.

On June 29, 2011, PPL Bell Bend, LLC (PPL) submitted a Joint Application for Pennsylvania Water Obstruction and Encroachment Permit and a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 Permit for the proposed Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant in Salem Township, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania (Reference 1).

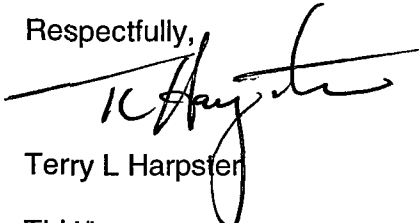
The purpose of this letter is to inform the Corps that PPL will be submitting a revision to the Joint Application in the near future (30-45 days), and to request that the Corps defer issuance of the Public Notice of the application to ensure that the notice is consistent with the content of the revised application. The revision will address a number of areas that will likely impact the content of the notice, including:

- A recent revision to our NPDES Individual Stormwater Permit Application (Reference 2) to reflect changes to the Erosion and Sedimentation Plan and the Post-Construction Stormwater Management Plan
- Updates to FEMA flood studies based on a model revision, and
- A change to the project limit of disturbance.

While PPL does not necessarily expect a significant change with regard to Corps jurisdictional matters, we believe it prudent for the Corps to delay issuance of the public notice until the revised application is submitted and this is reconfirmed.

PPL will keep you informed of our progress on this revision. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Gary Petrewski (610.774.5996) of my staff.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry L Harpster", written over the word "Respectfully,".

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