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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

Operations Division

May 21, 2012

Mr. Michael J. Caverly
Vice President – Nuclear Project Development
PPL Nuclear Development, LLC
38 Bomboy Lane, Suite 2
Berwick, Pennsylvania 18603

Dear Mr. Caverly:

This is in reference to your application for a Department of the Army permit, identified by this office as CENAB-OP-RPA-2008-01401-P13 (Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant), to construct a new nuclear power plant, on lands located to the west and southwest of the existing PPL Power Plant, approximately five miles northeast of Berwick, in Salem Township, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

In response to our Public Notice #PN-12-07, we received several comments letters which we previously forwarded to you in a letter dated April 16, 2012. Please find enclosed a second comment letter from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) which should be included in your review of comments received. Please review the USEPA comments provided and provide a written response to the attention of Mrs. Amy Elliott, at U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, State College Field Office, 1631 South Atherton Street, Suite 101, State College, Pennsylvania 16801. Please also furnish a copy of your response to the commenting USEPA office.

Copies of this letter, with the enclosure, are being provided to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection – Northeast Regional Office, and to the Luzerne County Conservation District, for informational purposes.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call Mrs. Amy Elliott, of this office, at (814) 234-0573.

Sincerely,

Wade B. Chandler
Chief, Pennsylvania Section

Enclosure