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**BELL BEND NUCLEAR POWER PLANT  
ACOE COPY OF PPL RESPONSE TO NRC  
RAIs ENV-20 AND ENV-21  
BNP-2012-292                      Docket No. 52-039**

- References:
- 1) E-mail, Laura Quinn-Willingham (NRC) to Rocco R. Sgarro (PPL), "Final Aquatic Ecology and Water Availability RAI for the Bell Bend Environmental Review", dated November 28, 2012.
  - 2) E-mail, Laura Quinn-Willingham (NRC) to Rocco R. Sgarro (PPL), "Final Terrestrial Ecology and Water Availability RAI for the Bell Bend Environmental Review", dated November 28, 2012.

The purpose of this letter is to provide the Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) with a copy of Attachments 1 and 2 of the PPL Bell Bend, LLC (PPL) response to USNRC Requests for Additional Information (RAIs) ENV-20 (Reference 1) and ENV-21 (Reference 2). The ACOE is a cooperating agency in the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for PPL's Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant (BBNPP) project. RAI ENV-20, Question EIS 5.3.2-3, addresses Aquatic Impacts and RAI ENV-21, Question 2.4.1-9, addresses Terrestrial and Wetland Ecology as discussed in the BBNPP Combined License Application (COLA) Part 3, Environmental Report (ER) sections 5.3.2 and 2.4.1, respectively.

Attachment 1 provides our complete responses to the referenced RAIs. Portions of this information are considered proprietary and confidential by PPL. **Accordingly, PPL is requesting Confidentiality for this submittal.** A redacted version of the response (Attachment 2) is provided to indicate the portions of Attachment 1 that PPL considers proprietary and confidential.

The basis for this confidentiality request is that the information being provided is proprietary and confidential information that, if disclosed, could cause substantial injury to the competitive position of the PPL Bell Bend, LLC project with our competitors. Specifically, the information identified as confidential requires PPL Bell Bend to enter into future agreement(s) with third parties. Making such information public at this time is premature and could significantly affect the ability of PPL Bell Bend to negotiate necessary agreements.

Should you have questions, please contact the undersigned at 610.774.7552.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rocco R. Sgarro". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Rocco" being more prominent.

Rocco R. Sgarro

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Attachments: 1) Response to RAI ENV-20 Question 5.3.2-3 and RAI ENV-21 Question 2.4.1-9  
(Proprietary and Confidential)  
2) Response to RAI ENV-20 Question 5.3.2-3 and RAI ENV-21 Question 2.4.1-9  
(Redacted)

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