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**SUBMITTED PURSUANT
TO 10 CFR 2.390**

**BELL BEND NUCLEAR POWER PLANT
RESPONSE TO RAIs ENV-20 AND ENV-21
BNP-2012-286 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 PPL Bell Bend, LLC (PPL) response to the Requests for Additional Information (RAI) ENV-20 (Reference 1) and ENV-21 (Reference 2). 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 Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant (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, a redacted version is provided (Attachment 2) supported by an affidavit responsive to the requirements of 10 CFR 2.390 (Attachment 3).


There is no new regulatory commitment in this correspondence.

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

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on December 11, 2012.

Respectfully,


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-19 (Redacted)
3) Affidavit supporting withholding of redacted information pursuant to 10 CFR
2.390

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Attachment 3

Affidavit supporting withholding of redacted information pursuant to
10 CFR 2.390

AFFIDAVIT OF ROCCO R. SGARRO

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA)

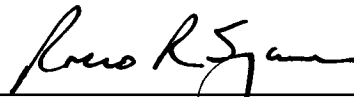
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COUNTY OF LEHIGH)

I, Rocco R. Sgarro, Director, Regulatory Affairs, PPL Bell Bend, LLC, do hereby affirm and state:

- 1) I am authorized to execute this affidavit on behalf of PPL Bell Bend, LLC. I am further authorized to review information submitted to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and apply for the withholding of information from disclosure. I am making this affidavit in conformance with the provisions of the NRC's regulations at 10 CFR 2.390 and in support of PPL Bell Bend, LLC's request for confidential treatment of certain proprietary and confidential information.
- 2) I have knowledge of the criteria used by PPL Bell Bend, LLC in designating information as sensitive, proprietary, or confidential.
- 3) Pursuant to the provision of paragraph (a)(4) of 10 CFR 2.390, the following is furnished for consideration by the NRC in determining whether the information sought to be withheld from public disclosure should be withheld.
 - a) The information sought to be withheld from public disclosure is owned by PPL Bell Bend, LLC, its affiliates or third parties to whom PPL Bell Bend has an obligation to maintain its confidentiality and has been held in confidence by PPL Bell Bend, LLC.
 - b) The information sought to be protected is not available to the public to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 - c) The information is of the type that would customarily be held in confidence by PPL Bell Bend, LLC. The information that PPL Bell Bend, LLC is requesting to be withheld from public disclosure is in its response to NRC Requests for Additional Information (RAIs) ENV-20 and ENV-21 regarding the Combined License Application (COLA) for the Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant. That response discusses certain commercial negotiations that PPL Bell Bend expects to enter into in the future regarding agreement(s) with third parties. PPL Bell Bend, LLC limits access to this information to those with a "need to know" subject to maintaining confidentiality. Public disclosure of this information at this time is premature and could significantly affect the ability of PPL Bell Bend, LLC to negotiate necessary agreements and compromises its negotiating position.
 - d) The proprietary information sought to be withheld from public disclosure is identified in the redacted version supplied with the responses to RAIs ENV-20 and ENV-21.
 - e) The information is transmitted to the NRC in confidence and under the provisions of 10 CFR 2.390; it is to be received in confidence by the NRC.

Rocco R. Sgarro, being duly sworn, states that he is Director, Regulatory Affairs, PPL Bell Bend, LLC, that he is authorized on the part of said Company to sign and file with the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission these responses to RAIs ENV-20 and ENV-21 regarding the COLA for the Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant, and that all the matter and facts set forth herein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge.



Rocco R. Sgarro
Director, Regulatory Affairs
PPL Bell Bend, LLC

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, in and for the county and Commonwealth above named, this 11th day of December, 2012.



Notary Public In and for Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

My Commission Expires: 3-20-2016

