

April 11, 1985

Mr. Henry G. Hodick
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SUSQUEHANNA STEAM ELECTRIC STATION
SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT
NPDES PERMIT NOS. PA-0027448/0047325
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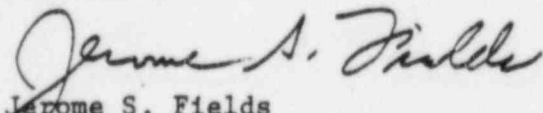
Dear Mr. Hodick:

The Pennsylvania Power and Light Company (PP&L) concurs with the terms of the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources (Pa. DER) Sewage Treatment Plant agreement proposal of April 1, 1985. These terms include the following:

1. By signing the attached document, PP&L neither admits nor denies the liability for the alleged incident described therein. However, PP&L agrees to pay a settlement of \$2,000 to the Pennsylvania Clean Water Fund.
2. Three copies of the attached agreement signed by two PP&L corporate officers.

If the Pa. DER has any questions, please contact me at (215) 770-7889.

Respectfully yours,



Jerome S. Fields
Sr. Environmental Scientist-Nuclear

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Attachments

cc: J. Jefferson	Pa. DER
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S. Lehman	Pa. DER
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April 1, 1985

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Mr. Jerome S. Fields
Senior Environmental Specialist - Nuclear
Pennsylvania Power & Light Company
2 North Ninth Street
Allentown, PA 18101

Dear Mr. Fields:

RE: Inadequately Treated Sewage Discharge
Susquehanna Steam Electric Station
Sewage Treatment Plant
NPDES Permit #PA-0027448
Salem Township, Luzerne County

On Thursday, March 7, 1985, Mr. John Jefferson, Water Quality Specialist, conducted a routine inspection at the above referenced site. At that time, Mr. Jefferson determined that because of a blocked waste transfer line and pump failure within the surge tank, the biological system within the treatment plant was completely upset. This was visually evidenced by a continuously rising activated sludge in the settling tank with the resultant continuous discharge of this sludge into the effluent line. Further investigation revealed that this condition had existed for approximately three weeks prior to his inspection. Furthermore, this condition had not been reported to the Regional Office in violation of conditions of NPDES Permit #0047325.

The March 7, 1985 discharge of inadequately treated sewage to the waters of the Commonwealth constitutes a violation of Sections 201, 202 and 401 of The Clean Streams Law, the Act of June 22, 1937, P.L. 1987, as amended, 35 P.S. 691.201, 691.202 and 691.401.

This Department is responsible for enforcement of The Clean Streams Law, including the recovery of civil penalties up to \$10,000 for each separate violation.

In accordance with your telephone conversation of March 12, 1985, with Stanley Lehman, Water Quality Specialist Supervisor, to avoid litigation this agency is willing to accept an amicable settlement of Two Thousand (\$2,000) Dollars on the following terms:

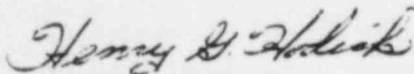
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- 1) By April 15, 1985, PP & L shall make payment to the Pennsylvania Clean Water Fund in the amount of Two Thousand (\$2,000) Dollars by means of a check made payable to the "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania".
- 2) Upon receipt of the above payment and this signed agreement, the Department agrees to waive civil penalty liability against PP&L for the March 7, 1985 pollution incident. Nothing in this agreement shall be construed to relieve PP&L of any liability for unknown effects of the discharge which may arise or be discovered in the future.

If our agreement proposal is acceptable, please have all three (3) copies of this agreement signed by two corporate officers and affixed with the corporate seal and return them to our office at the letterhead address by April 15, 1985, along with The Clean Water Fund payment. We will then execute the agreement on behalf of the Department and return an executed copy to you for your records.

Please be notified that after April 15, 1985, this settlement proposal will become void and we will pursue other enforcement alternatives.

Very truly yours,



Henry G. Hodick
Water Quality Compliance Specialist

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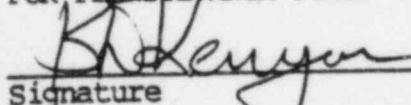
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FOR THE DEPARTMENT:

Henry G. Hodick
Water Quality Compliance Specialist

John R. Embick
Assistant Counsel

FOR PENNSYLVANIA POWER & LIGHT CO.

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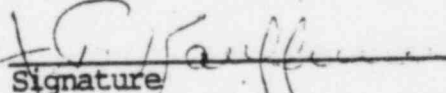
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B. D. Kenyon

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Vice President-Nuclear Operations

Title

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Signature Date

J. T. Kauffman

Name

Executive Vice President-Operations

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