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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

ASD Alternate Source Demonstration
CCR Coal Combustion Residuals
CFR Code of Federal Regulations
GWPS Groundwater Protection Standard

mg/L milligrams per liter

NRT/OBG Natural Resource Technology, an OBG Company
OBG O'Brien & Gere Engineers, part of Ramboll

pCi/L picoCuries per liter

SSI Statistically Significant Increase
SSL Statistically Significant Level

S.U. Standard Units

TDS Total Dissolved Solids



SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION

This report has been prepared on behalf of Electric Energy, Inc. by O'Brien & Gere Engineers, part of Ramboll (OBG), to provide the information required by the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) found in 40 CFR 257.90(e) for the Joppa East Ash Pond located at Joppa Power Station near Joppa, Illinois.

In accordance with 40 CFR § 257.90(e), the owner or operator of an existing Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) unit must prepare an annual groundwater monitoring and corrective action report, for the preceding calendar year, that documents the status of the groundwater monitoring and corrective action program for the CCR unit, summarizes key actions completed, describes any problems encountered, discusses actions to resolve the problems, and projects key activities for the upcoming year. At a minimum, the annual report must contain the following information, to the extent available:

- 1. A map, aerial image, or diagram showing the CCR unit and all background (or upgradient) and downgradient monitoring wells, to include the well identification numbers, that are part of the groundwater monitoring program for the CCR unit.
- 2. Identification of any monitoring wells that were installed or decommissioned during the preceding year, along with a narrative description of why those actions were taken.
- 3. In addition to all the monitoring data obtained under §§ 257.90 through 257.98, a summary including the number of groundwater samples that were collected for analysis for each background and downgradient well, the dates the samples were collected, and whether the sample was required by the detection monitoring or assessment monitoring programs.
- 4. A narrative discussion of any transition between monitoring programs (e.g., the date and circumstances for transitioning from detection monitoring to assessment monitoring in addition to identifying the constituent(s) detected at a statistically significant increase over background levels).
- 5. Other information required to be included in the annual report as specified in §§ 257.90 through 257.981.

This report provides the required information for the Joppa East Ash Pond for calendar year 2018.

¹ For calendar year 2018, corrective action and other information required to be included in the annual report as specified in §§ 257.96 through 257.98 is not applicable.



SECTION 2: MONITORING AND CORRECTIVE ACTION PROGRAM STATUS

Detection Monitoring Program sampling event dates and parameters collected are provided in the detection monitoring program summary table below. One sample was collected from each background and downgradient well in the monitoring system during each sampling event. Analytical data was evaluated after each event in accordance with the Statistical Analysis Plan, Joppa Power Station, Electric Energy, Inc. (NRT/OBG, 2017a) to identify any statistically significant increases (SSIs) of Appendix III parameters over background concentrations. The sampling event and whether SSIs were identified are provided in the detection monitoring program summary table below.

Detection Monitoring Program Summary

Sampling Dates	Parameters Collected	SSIs	Assessment Monitoring Program Established
November 30, 2017	Appendix III	Yes	April 9, 2018

Alternate source evaluations were inconclusive for one or more of the SSIs. Consequently, and in accordance with 40 CFR § 257.94(e)(2), an Assessment Monitoring Program was established for Joppa East Ash Pond on April 9, 2018 and the required notifications completed.

The first Assessment Monitoring sampling event was completed on June 19, 2018. One sample was collected from each background and downgradient well in the monitoring system and analyzed for Appendix III and Appendix IV parameters. In accordance with 40 CFR § 257.95(d)(1), all wells were resampled on September 5, 2018 for all Appendix III parameters and Appendix IV parameters detected during the first Assessment Monitoring sampling event. One sample was collected from each background and downgradient well in the monitoring system. Analytical data from the resampling event was evaluated in accordance with the statistical analysis plan (NRT/OBG, 2017a) to determine any SSIs of Appendix III parameters over background concentrations or statistically significant levels (SSLs) of Appendix IV parameters over Groundwater Protection Standards (GWPSs). The assessment monitoring program summary table below provides a summary of the Assessment Monitoring Program and results of SSL determinations.

Assessment Monitoring Program Summary

Sampling Dates	Parameters Collected	SSLs		
June 19, 2018	Appendix III Appendix IV	Not Applicable		
September 5, 2018	Appendix III Appendix IV Detected	To Be Determined		

Statistical background values are provided in Table 1 and GWPSs in Table 2. Analytical results from the events summarized in the detection and assessment monitoring summary tables above are included in Tables 3 and 4.

The Joppa East Ash Pond remains in the Assessment Monitoring Program in accordance with 40 CFR § 257.95.



SECTION 3: KEY ACTIONS COMPLETED IN 2018

Two groundwater monitoring events were completed in 2018 under the Assessment Monitoring Program. These events occurred in June and September, and are detailed in Section 2. One groundwater sample was collected from each background and downgradient well in the monitoring system during each event. All samples were collected and analyzed in accordance with the Sampling and Analysis Plan (NRT/OBG, 2017b). All monitoring data obtained under 40 CFR §§ 257.90 through 257.98 (as applicable) in 2018 are presented in Tables 3 and 4. The groundwater monitoring system, including the CCR unit and all background and downgradient monitoring wells, is presented in Figure 1.





SECTION 4: PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED AND ACTIONS TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEMS

No problems were encountered with the groundwater monitoring program during 2018. Groundwater samples were collected and analyzed in accordance with the Sampling and Analysis Plan (NRT/OBG, 2017b), and all data was accepted.





SECTION 5: KEY ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR 2019

The following key activities are planned for 2019:

- Continuation of the Assessment Monitoring Program with semi-annual sampling scheduled for the first and third quarters of 2019.
- Complete evaluation of analytical data from the downgradient wells, using GWPSs to determine whether an SSL of Appendix IV parameters has occurred.
- If an SSL is identified, potential alternate sources (i.e., a source other than the CCR unit caused the SSL or that SSL resulted from error in sampling, analysis, statistical evaluation, or natural variation in groundwater quality) will be evaluated. If an alternate source is demonstrated to be the cause of the SSL, a written demonstration will be completed within 90 days of SSL determination and included in the annual groundwater monitoring and corrective action report for 2019.
 - » If an alternate source(s) is not identified to be the cause of the SSL, the applicable requirements of 40 CFR §§ 257.94 through 257.98 (e.g., assessment of corrective measures) as may apply in 2019 will be met, including associated recordkeeping/notifications required by 40 CFR §§ 257.105 through 257.108.



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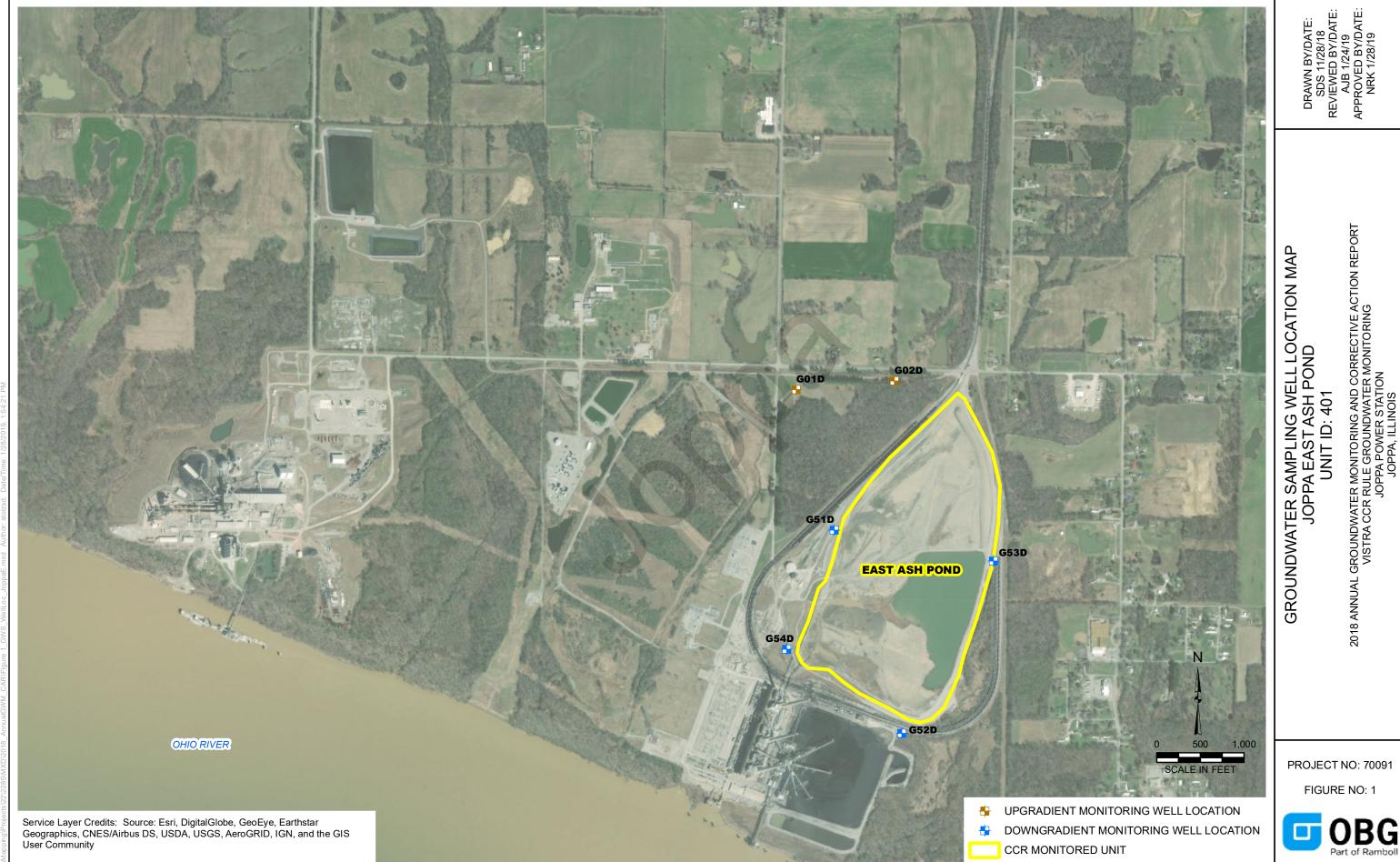
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Tables

Table 1. Statistical Background Values

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Parameter	Statistical Background Value						
Арр	oendix III						
Boron (mg/L)	0.0552						
Calcium (mg/L)	46.072						
Chloride (mg/L)	29						
Fluoride (mg/L)	0.28						
pH (S.U.)	6.2 / 6.9						
Sulfate (mg/L)	180						
TDS (mg/L)	526						

[O: KLS 8/28/18, C: RAB 8/30/18]

Notes:

mg/L = milligrams per liter

S.U. = Standard Units

TDS = Total Dissolved Solids



Table 2. Groundwater Protection Standards

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Parameter	Groundwater Protection Standard				
Appendi	x IV				
Antimony (mg/L)	0.006				
Arsenic (mg/L)	0.01				
Barium (mg/L)	2				
Beryllium (mg/L)	0.004				
Cadmium (mg/L)	0.005				
Chromium (mg/L)	0.10				
Cobalt (mg/L)	0.0366				
Fluoride (mg/L)	4				
Lead (mg/L)	0.015				
Lithium (mg/L)	0.04				
Mercury (mg/L)	0.002				
Molybdenum (mg/L)	0.10				
Selenium (mg/L)	0.05				
Thallium (mg/L)	0.002				
Radium 226+228 (pCi/L)	5				

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Table 3. Appendix III Analytical Results

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Sample Location	Date Sampled	B, total Ca, total (mg/L)		Cl, total F, total (mg/L)		pH (field) (S.U.)	SO4, total (mg/L)	TDS (mg/L)				
Background / Upgradient Monitoring Wells												
	11/30/2017	<0.025	37.2	18	0.22	6.8	117	450				
G01D	6/19/2018	<0.025	29.5	13	0.24	6.8	70	394				
	9/5/2018	<0.025	30.5	14	0.20	7.0	94	414				
	11/30/2017	0.0496	40.1	23	0.21	6.9	17	246				
G02D	6/19/2018	0.0404	33.9	23	0.21	6.7	17	232				
	9/5/2018	0.0468	36.3	23	0.18	6.6	19	252				
Downgradient Monitoring Wells												
	11/30/2017	0.302	34.4	8	<0.1	5.6	138	356				
G51D	6/19/2018	0.337	31.1	7	<0.1	5.7	124	324				
	9/5/2018	0.263	29.1	7	<0.1	6.0	134	342				
	11/30/2017	<0.025	54.7	15	0.26	6.0	97	392				
G52D	6/19/2018	<0.025	50.1	15	0.26	6.4	97	388				
	9/5/2018	<0.025	49.8	14	0.24	6.3	101	384				
	11/30/2017	0.427	44.6	20	0.74	6.6	98	348				
G53D	6/19/2018	0.361	37.8	18	0.66	6.6	84	360				
	9/5/2018	0.392	40.3	20	0.61	6.8	81	390				
	11/30/2017	0.646	76.2	26	0.33	6.7	136	472				
G54D	6/19/2018	0.631	72.7	26	0.34	6.7	146	486				
	9/5/2018	0.660	73.6	25	0.30	6.5	152	480				

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TDS = Total Dissolved Solids

< = concentration is less than the reporting limit



Table 4. Appendix IV Analytical Results

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Sample Location	Date Sampled	Sb, total (mg/L)	As, total (mg/L)	Ba, total (mg/L)	Be, total (mg/L)	Cd, total (mg/L)	Cr, total (mg/L)	Co, total (mg/L)	F, total (mg/L)	Pb, total (mg/L)	Li, total (mg/L)	Hg, total (mg/L)	Mo, total (mg/L)	Ra226/228 Combined (pCi/L)	Se, total (mg/L)	TI, total (mg/L)
Backgroun	Background / Upgradient Monitoring Wells															
G01D	6/19/2018	<0.001	0.0019	0.202	<0.001	<0.001	0.0093	0.0057	0.24	0.0034	0.0038	<0.0002	<0.0015	1.41	<0.001	<0.002
	9/5/2018 ^a	NA	<0.001	0.147	NA	NA	0.0026	0.0022	0.20	<0.001	0.0017	NA	NA	0.37	0.001	NA
G02D	6/19/2018	<0.001	<0.001	0.245	<0.001	<0.001	<0.0015	<0.001	0.21	<0.001	<0.0015	<0.0002	<0.0015	0.92	0.0023	<0.002
GOZD	9/5/2018 ^a	NA	<0.001	0.209	NA	NA	<0.0015	<0.001	0.18	<0.001	<0.0015	NA	NA	0.46	0.002	NA
Downgrad	ient Monitorii	ng Wells														
G51D	6/19/2018	<0.001	<0.001	0.0756	<0.001	<0.001	<0.0015	0.0038	<0.1	<0.001	0.0070	<0.0002	<0.0015	1.22	0.0035	<0.002
GSID	9/5/2018 ^a	NA	<0.001	0.0395	NA	NA	<0.0015	0.0043	<0.1	<0.001	0.0054	NA	NA	0.42	0.0036	NA
G52D	6/19/2018	<0.001	0.0025	0.340	<0.001	<0.001	<0.0015	0.0045	0.26	<0.001	0.0035	<0.0002	<0.0015	1.64	<0.001	<0.002
G32D	9/5/2018 ^a	NA	0.0014	0.275	NA	NA	<0.0015	0.0019	0.24	<0.001	0.0032	NA	NA	0.68	<0.001	NA
G53D	6/19/2018	<0.001	<0.001	0.176	<0.001	<0.001	<0.0015	<0.001	0.66	<0.001	0.0019	<0.0002	<0.0015	0.77	<0.001	<0.002
ענכט	9/5/2018 ^a	NA	<0.001	0.133	NA	NA	<0.0015	0.0016	0.61	<0.001	0.0018	NA	NA	0.55	<0.001	NA
G54D	6/19/2018	<0.001	0.0019	0.196	<0.001	<0.001	0.0019	0.0134	0.34	<0.001	0.0060	<0.0002	<0.0015	1.00	<0.001	<0.002
G54D	9/5/2018 ^a	NA	0.0010	0.131	NA	NA	0.002	0.0109	0.30	<0.001	0.0046	NA	NA	1.32	<0.001	NA

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NA = Not Applicable

< = concentration is less than the reporting limit

^aOnly the parameters detected during the previous sampling event were analyzed during this sampling event, in accordance with 40CFR § 257.95(d)(1).

