

September 29, 2020,

## CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. Brent Wade, Deputy Director Office of Waste Waste Permits Division – MC-123 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality PO Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

Subject:

Notification of Continued Use of the E Pond for CCR and

Retrofit of the E Pond by April 11, 2021

W.A. Parish Electric Generation Station, Thompsons, Texas

Dear Mr. Wade,

This letter is to provide notice to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) that at this time the FGD Emergency Pond (E Pond, SWMU 020) at the W.A. Parish Electric Generation Station (Station) in Thompsons, Texas will continue to accept coal combustion residuals (CCR) generated at the Station and will stop sending waste to the E Pond by April 11, 2021 as provided in the Hazardous and Solid Waste Management System: Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electric Utilities; A Holistic Approach to Closure Part A: Deadline to Initiate Closure, Final Rule (Part A).

NRG notes that with the finalization of Part A, the date when unlined CCR surface impoundments must cease receiving waste and initiate closure or retrofit was changed from October 31, 2020 to April 11, 2021. Section 352.1211(b)(1) of the TCEQ Chapter 352 Coal Combustion Residuals Waste Management rule still references the date of October 31, 2020 when unlined CCR surface impoundments must cease receiving waste.

Please do not hesitate to contact me via email at <u>carl.burch@nrg.com</u> or phone at 713-537-2333 if you need additional information or wish to discuss this notification. As always, we continue to be committed to working with the TCEQ and partner with the communities we serve; our common goal is the protectiveness of human health and the environment in the areas surrounding operations at our facilities.

Sincerely,

Carl Burch

Environmental Manager, Regulatory Compliance

NRG Energy

Cc: TCEQ Region 12 Office