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#### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

Abbreviation	Term/Phrase/Name
Ameren	Ameren Missouri
BMcD	Burns & McDonnell
CCR	Coal Combustion Residual
CCR Rule	EPA Coal Combustion Rule Published April 17, 2015
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
MCPD	CCR Surface Impoundment MCPD or Pond 498
Meramec	Meramec Energy Center

#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

On April 17, 2015, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued the final version of the federal Coal Combustion Residual Rule (CCR Rule) to regulate the disposal of coal combustion residual (CCR) materials generated by electric utilities and independent power producers.

Ameren Missouri (Ameren) is subject to the CCR Rule and is required to develop a Post-Closure Plan for existing CCR surface impoundments per 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §257.104. This document serves as Ameren's Post-Closure Care Plan for the existing CCR Surface Impoundment MCPD (Pond 498) at the Meramec Energy Center (Meramec). The Post-Closure Plan is required to contain the following per §257.104(d)(1):

- A description of post-closure care maintenance activities (and frequency of these activities) including the following:
  - Maintaining the integrity and effectiveness of the final cover system (if capped in place), including making repairs to the final cover as necessary to correct the effects of settlement, subsidence, erosion, or other events, and preventing run-on and run-off from eroding or otherwise damaging the final cover.
  - Maintaining the groundwater monitoring system and monitoring the groundwater in accordance with the requirements of §257.90 through §257.98.
- The name, address, telephone number, and email address of the person or office to contact about the facility during the post-closure care period.
- A description of the planned uses of the property during the post-closure period.
  - Post-closure use of the property shall not disturb the integrity of the final cover, liner(s), or any other component of the containment system, or the function of the monitoring system unless necessary to comply with §257.104, or if the owner or operator of the CCR unit demonstrates that the disturbance (including any removal of CCR) will not increase the potential threat to human health or the environment.

#### 2.0 DETAILS OF POST-CLOSURE

Meramec is located in southeast St. Louis County, Missouri and consists of four generating units (a site aerial figure is included as Appendix A). Units 1 and 2 are fired on natural gas (fuel switching from coal to natural gas was completed in April 2016), and Units 3 and 4 are fired on coal. CCR generated at the facility includes fly ash and bottom ash.

Surface Impoundment MCPD (Pond 498), referred to herein as MCPD, is located on the northcentral portion of the Meramec facility. As-built construction documents are not available to document that a liner system was installed as part of the initial construction of MCPD; therefore, MCPD has been classified as an existing, unlined CCR surface impoundment. A portion of MCPD was modified following initial construction, and the modified portion includes a high density polyethylene (HDPE) liner. The modified portion is also considered unlined per the CCR Rule. A Closure Plan was prepared by Burns & McDonnell per section §257.102(b)(1) of the Federal CCR Rule. MCPD will be closed and capped in place as described in the Closure Plan, which will be available on Ameren's CCR website.

#### 2.1 Post-Closure Compliance

Post-closure maintenance shall be as described in §257.104(b) of the CCR Rule. The requirements consist of the following:

- Maintaining the integrity and effectiveness of the final cover system, including making repairs to the final cover as necessary to correct the effects of settlement, subsidence, erosion, or other events, and preventing run-on and run-off from eroding or otherwise damaging the final cover.
- Maintaining the groundwater monitoring system.

Ameren will achieve compliance with the above requirements through final cover inspection and maintenance of MCPD, which will be conducted for a period of 30 years after the completion of closure activities. Inspection and maintenance activities will be monitored during annual inspections that will occur throughout the post-closure care period. Inspection activities are discussed further in Section 2.1.2.

#### 2.1.1 Groundwater Monitoring

Ameren will conduct sampling, analysis and reporting of the MCPD groundwater monitoring network per §257.90 through §257.98, for the entire 30 years of post-closure care. Per §257.104(c)(2), should any of the groundwater monitoring results cause MCPD to enter or remain in an Assessment Monitoring Program (§257.95) at the end of the 30-year post-closure care period, Ameren will continue monitoring the groundwater until MCPD is able to return to the Detection Monitoring Program (§257.94).

#### 2.1.2 Site Inspections

Site inspections will be performed annually during the post-closure care period to confirm that the integrity and effectiveness of the final cover system is maintained per Section §257.104(b)(1). Maintenance of the final cover will include making repairs, as necessary, to correct the effects of settlement, subsidence, erosion, or other events, and to prevent run-on and run-off from eroding or otherwise damaging the final cover. During the site inspections, Ameren will also inspect groundwater monitoring wells to confirm that they are structurally intact and appear to be in good working condition.

#### 2.2 Post-Closure Contact

Ameren will designate and list a contact person during the post-closure care period per §257.104 (d)(ii). The following individual will be Ameren's designated contact person for post-closure care of MCPD:

Contact	Ameren Missouri
Address	1901 Chouteau Avenue
	St. Louis, MO 63103
Phone No.	(800) 552-7583
Email	CCR@ameren.com

## 2.3 Property Use During Post-Closure Care Period

MCPD is located within a secured power plant facility, and access and use will be limited to inspection and groundwater monitoring activities.

## 2.4 Completion of Post-Closure Care

No later than 60 days following the completion of the post-closure care period, Ameren shall prepare a notification verifying that post-closure care has been completed and place the notification in the facility's CCR Operating Record. The notification shall include the certification by a qualified professional engineer in the State of Missouri, that post-closure care has been completed in accordance with the written Post-Closure Plan in effect and the requirements of §257.104.

#### 3.0 REVISIONS AND AMENDMENTS

This initial MCPD Post-Closure Plan shall be placed in the CCR Operating Record by October 17, 2016. The plan is required to be amended whenever there is a change in the operation of the CCR Unit that affects the current or planned post-closure activities.

The Post-Closure Plan shall be amended 60 days prior to a planned change in operation, or within 60 days following an unplanned change in operation. If a written Post-Closure Plan is revised after post-closure activities have commenced, it shall be amended no later than 30 days following the triggering event. The Post-Closure Plan and any amendments shall be certified by a qualified professional engineer in the State of Missouri for meeting the requirements of §257.104 of the CCR Rule. All amendments and revisions must be posted on the CCR public website within a reasonable amount of time following placement in the facility's CCR Operating Record. A record of revisions made to this document is included in Section 4.0.

Revision Number	Date	Revisions Made	By Whom
0	10/13/2016	Initial Post-Closure Plan	Burns & McDonnell

## 4.0 RECORD OF REVISIONS AND UPDATES

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