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IL Environmental Protection Agency
Division of Public Water Supplies
Attn: Andrea Rhodes, CAS #19
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RE: Violation Notices:

Grand Tower ID # 6285, VN # W-2012-00062
Newton ID # 6286, VN # W-2012-00063
Coffeen ID # 6287, VN # W-2012-00064
Meredosia ID # 6288, VN # W-2012-00065

Dear Ms. Rhodes:

Ameren Services submits this response as authorized agent for Ameren Energy Resources Company (AER). In accordance with provisions of the violation notices listed above that were received on July 2, 2012, we are requesting a meeting with IEPA to discuss details of the future actions necessary to reconcile the alleged violations. We believe this meeting will benefit both parties by providing a venue to openly discuss both the regulatory/enforcement elements, as well operational and temporal aspects of any future actions.

We believe our ability to provide detailed information to the agency at this time, including dates by which compliance will be achieved, is hampered by the absence of a broader groundwater characterization, the determinant need for a groundwater management zone (GMZ), and the absence of a thorough corrective action assessment. The matter is further complicated by the broad action required across the AER fleet, as well as considerations associated with pending federal regulations impacting both the management of coal combustion residues and changes to the steam electric effluent guidelines. These federal rules, which have not been finalized, will likely directly impact the viability of existing ash ponds and the need for alternative waste water treatment. A failure to appropriately consider the elements of these new rules relative to state compliance action will likely add unnecessary costs to any corrective action.

In closing, I want to reiterate our interest and commitment in engaging the agency on how best to reconcile the issues identified in the notices of violation. Please feel free to contact me or John Pozzo at 314.554.2280 at your convenience to schedule a meeting at a mutually agreeable time in the near future.

Sincerely,


Steven C. Whitworth
Manager, Environmental Services

cc: Marcia T. Willhite, Chief Bureau of Water
Julie Armitage; Acting Chief General Counsel

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SID: 25140

Agency ID: Media File Type: WATER

Bureau ID: W0770400003

Site Name: AMEREN-GRAND TOWER POWER STAT

Site Address1:

Site Address2:

Site City:

State: IL

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