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February 13, 2013

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Mr. John C. Pozzo 1 Ameren Plaza 1901 Chouteau Ave. St. Louis, MO 63103

Re: Notice of Intent to Pursue Legal Action Ameren Newton Generating Station Identification No.: 6286 Violation Notice: W-2012-00063

Dear Mr. Pozzo:

This Notice of Intent to Pursue Legal Action is provided pursuant to Section 31(b) of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act ("Act"), 415 ILCS 5/31(b)(2012). The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("Illinois EPA") is providing this notice because you have failed to respond adequately to the Violation Notice dated June 27, 2012, and issued by the Illinois EPA within the time frame required by Section 31 of the Act.

The Illinois EPA is providing this notice because it may pursue legal action for the violations of environmental statutes, regulations and permits specified in Attachment A. The Notice of Intent to Pursue Legal Action provides the opportunity to schedule a meeting with representatives of the Illinois EPA to attempt to resolve the violations of the Act, regulations and permits specified in Attachment A. If a meeting is requested, it must be held within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice unless an extension of time is agreed to by the Illinois EPA.

If you wish to schedule a meeting with representatives of the Illinois EPA or have any questions, please contact Joey Logan-Wilkey at (217) 782-5544 within twenty (20) days of your receipt of this notice.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Counsel Division of Legal Counsel

Attachment

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#### ATTACHMENT A

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## AMEREN, NEWTON GENERATING STATION, ID:6286 VIOLATION NOTICE NO. W-2012-00063:

A review of information available to the Illinois EPA indicates the following on-going violations of statutes, regulations, or permits. Included with each type of violation is an explanation of the activities that the Illinois EPA believes may resolve the violation.

#### Groundwater Quality

No person shall cause, threaten or allow the release of any contaminant to a resource groundwater such that: treatment or additional treatment is necessary to continue an existing use or to assure a potential use of such groundwater; or an existing or potential use of such groundwater is precluded. No person shall cause, threaten or allow the release of any contaminant to groundwater so as to cause a groundwater quality standard to be exceeded. Ameren must take actions to mitigate existing contamination and prevent the continuing release of contaminants into the environment.

#### Violation

#### Description

Operations at ash impoundments have resulted in violations of the Groundwater Quality Standards at monitoring well APW-2 for the following constituents:

Parameter	Sample	Value	GW Stand	dard	Collection Date
рH	5.49	ธน	6.5-9.0	) su	11/30/2010
Manganese	0.45	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	04/10/2012
Manganese	0.71	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	01/31/2012
Manganese	0.91	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	10/11/2011
Manganese	0.63	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	07/12/2011
Manganese	0.24	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	05/04/2011
Manganese	0.17	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	02/08/2011
Manganese	0.907	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	11/30/2010
Sulfate	2,300	mg/l	400	mg/l	04/10/2012
Sulfate	3,000	mg/l	400	mg/l	01/31/2012
Sulfate	3,700	mg/l	400	mg/l	10/11/2011
Sulfate	2,900	mg/l	400	mg/l	07/12/2011
Sulfate	3,300	mg/l	400	mg/l	05/04/2011
Sulfate	3,300	mg/l	400	mg/l	02/08/2011
Sulfate	2,890	mg/l	400	mg/l	11/30/2010
TDS	4,900	mg/l	1,200	mg/l	04/10/2012
TDS	5,000	mg/l	1,200	mg/l	01/31/2012
TDS	5,000	+	1,200	mg/l	10/11/2011
TDS	5,100	-	1,200	-	07/12/2011

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## Violation Description

APW-2 continued

Parameter	Sample Value	GW Standard	Collection Date
TDS	5,100 mg/l	1,200 mg/l	05/04/2011
TDS	5,000 mg/l	1,200 mg/l	02/08/2011
TDS	1,910 mg/l	1,200 mg/l	11/30/2010
Zinc	62.0 mg/l	5.0 mg/l'	04/10/2012

Rule/Reg. Section 12 of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/12, 35 Ill. Adm. Code 620.115, 620.301, 620.401, 620.405, and 620.410.

# Violation

#### Description

Operations at ash impoundments have resulted in violations of the Groundwater Quality Standards at monitoring well APW-3 for the following constituents:

Parameter	Sample Value	GW Standard	Collection Date
рН	6.07 su	6.5-9.0 su	11/30/2010

Rule/Reg. Section 12 of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/12, 35 Ill. Adm. Code 620.115, 620.301, 620.401, 620.405, and 620.410.

### Violation

#### Description

Operations at ash impoundments have resulted in violations of the Groundwater Quality Standards at monitoring well APW-4 for the following constituents:

Parameter	Sample Value	GW Standard	Collection Date
Hq	5.67 su	6.5-9.0 su	11/30/2010
Manganese	0.25 mg/l	0.150 mg/l	04/10/2012
Manganese	0.22 mg/1	0.150 mg/l	01/31/2012
Marganese	0.27 mg/l	0.150 mg/l	10/11/2011
Manganese	0.26 mg/l	0.150 mg/l	07/12/2011
Manganese	0.24 mg/l	0.150 mg/l	05/04/2011
Manganese	0.21 mg/l	0.150 mg/l	02/08/2011
Manganese	0.176 mg/l	0.150 mg/l	11/30/2010

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# Violation

Description AFW-4 continued

Parameter	Sample Value	GW Standard	Collection Date
Sulfate	1,500 mg/l	400 mg/1	04/10/2012
Sulfate	680 mg/l	400 mg/l	01/31/2012 .
Sulfate	1,300 mg/1	400 mg/l	10/11/2011
Sulfate	1,300 mg/l	400 mg/l	07/12/2011
Sulfate	1,300 mg/l	400 mg/l	05/04/2011
Sulfate	1,300 mg/l	400 mg/l	02/08/2011
Sulfate	618 mg/l	400 mg/l	11/30/2010
TDS	2,200 mg/l	1,200 mg/l	04/10/2012
TDS	2,400 mg/l	1,200 mg/l	01/31/2012
TDS	2,200 mg/l	1,200 mg/1	10/11/2011
TDS	2,300 mg/l	1,200 mg/l	07/12/2011
TDS	2,400 mg/l	1,200 mg/l	05/04/2011
TDS	2,300 mg/1	1,200 mg/1	02/08/2011
TDS	1,920 mg/l	1,200 mg/l	11/30/2010

Rule/Reg. Section 12 of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/12, 35 Ill. Adm. Code 620.115, 620.301, 620.401, 620.405, and 620.410.





