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June 27, 2012

CERTIFIED MAIL # 7010 2780 0002 1163 7148 RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. John C. Pozzo Managing Supervising Engineer 1 Ameren Plaza 1901 Chouteau Ave. St. Louis, Mo 63103

Re: Violation Notice: Ameren; Coffeen Generating Station Identification No.: 6287 Violation Notice No.: W-2012-00064

Dear Mr. Pozzo:

This constitutes a Violation Notice pursuant to Section 31(a)(1) of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act ("Act"), 415 ILCS 5/31(a)(1), and is based upon a review of available information and an investigation by representatives of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("Illinois EPA").

The Illinois EPA hereby provides notice of alleged violations of environmental laws, regulations, or permits as set forth in Attachment A to this notice. Attachment A includes an explanation of the activities that the Illinois EPA believes may resolve the specified alleged violations. Due to the nature and seriousness of the alleged violations, please be advised that resolution of the violations may also require the involvement of a prosecutorial authority for purposes that may include, among others, the imposition of statutory penalties.

A written response, which may include a request for a meeting with representatives of the Illinois EPA, must be submitted via certified mail to the Illinois EPA within 45 days of receipt of this letter. If a meeting is requested, it shall be held within 60 days of receipt of this notice. The response must include information in rebuttal, explanation, or justification of each alleged violation and a statement indicating whether or not the facility wishes to enter into a Compliance Commitment Agreement ("CCA") pursuant to Section 31(a) of the Act. If the facility wishes to enter into a CCA, the written response must also include proposed terms for the CCA that includes dates for achieving each commitment and may include a statement that compliance has been achieved for some or all of the alleged violations. The proposed terms of the CCA should contain sufficient detail and must include steps to be taken to achieve compliance and the necessary dates by which compliance will be achieved.

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The Illinois EPA will review the proposed terms for a CCA provided by the facility and, within 30 days of receipt, will respond with either a proposed CCA or a notice that no CCA will be issued by the Illinois EPA. If the Illinois EPA sends a proposed CCA, the facility must respond in writing by either agreeing to and signing the proposed CCA or by notifying the Illinois EPA that the facility rejects the terms of the proposed CCA.

If a timely written response to this Violation Notice is not provided, it shall be considered a waiver of the opportunity to respond and meet, and the Illinois EPA may proceed with referral to a prosecutorial authority.

Written communications should be directed to:

Illinois EPA - Division of Public Water Supplies Attn: Andrea Rhodes, CAS #19 P.O. BOX 19276 Springfield, IL 62794-9276

All communications must include reference to this Violation Notice number, W-2012-00064.

Questions regarding this Violation Notice should be directed to Andrea Rhodes at 217/785-0561.

Sincerely,

Michael Crumly Manager, Compliance Assurance Section Division of Public Water Supplies Bureau of Water

Attachments

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ATTACHMENT A

AMEREN, COFFEEN GENERATING STATION, ID:6287 VIOLATION NOTICE NO. W-2012-00064:

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 V	Value	GW Stand	lard	Collection Date
Boron	7.4 r	mg/l	2.0	mg/l	01/25/2012
Boron	8.1 r	mg/l	2.0	mg/l	11/11/2011
Boron	6.3 r	mg/l	2.0	mg/l	07/28/2011
Boron	6.7 r	mg/l	2.0	mg/l	05/04/2011
Boron	7.2 r	mg/l	2.0	mg/l	01/26/2011
Boron	7.16 r	mg/l	2.0	mg/l	12/01/2010
Manganese	0.730 r	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	01/25/2012
Manganese	0.40 r	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	11/11/2011
Manganese	0.410 r	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	07/28/2011
Manganese	0.530 r	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	05/04/2011
Manganese	0.418 r	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	12/01/2010
Sulfate	840 i	mg/l	400	mg/l	01/25/2012
Sulfate	650 1	mg/l	400	mg/l	11/11/2011
Sulfate	840 1	mg/l	400	mg/l	05/04/2011
Sulfate	840 1	mg/l	400	mg/l	01/26/2011
Sulfate	833 1	mg/l	400	mg/l	12/01/2010
TDS	1600 1	mg/l	1200	mg/l	01/25/2012
TDS	1600 1	mg/l	1200	mg/l	11/11/2011
TDS	1600 1	mg/l	1200	mg/l	07/28/2011

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Violation

Description

APW-2 continued

Parameter	Sample Value	GW Standard	Collection Date
TDS	1700 mg/l	1200 mg/l	05/04/2011
TDS	1600 mg/l	1200 mg/l	01/26/2011
TDS	1810 mg/l	1200 mg/l	12/01/2010

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-3 for the following constituents:

Parameter	Sample Value	GW Standard	Collection Date
Boron	2.1 mg/l	2.0 mg/l	01/25/2012
Boron	2.5 mg/l	2.0 mg/l	01/26/2011
Boron	2.07 mg/l	2.0 mg/l	12/01/2010
Manganese	0.37 mg/l	0.150 mg/l	01/25/2012
Manganese	0.866 mg/l	0.150 mg/l	11/11/2011
Manganese	0.84 mg/l	0.150 mg/l	07/28/2011
Manganese	0.85 mg/l	0.150 mg/l	05/04/2011
Manganese	0.44 mg/l	0.150 mg/l	01/26/2011
Manganese	0.866 mg/l	0.150 mg/l	12/01/2010
Sulfate	830 mg/l	400 mg/l	01/25/2012
Sulfate	761 mg/l	400 mg/l	11/11/2011
Sulfate	940 mg/l	400 mg/l	05/04/2011
Sulfate	810 mg/l	400 mg/l	01/26/2011
Sulfate	761 mg/l	400 mg/l	12/01/2010
TDS	1900 mg/l	1200 mg/l	01/25/2012
TDS	1760 mg/l	1200 mg/l	11/11/2011
TDS	2100 mg/l	1200 mg/l	07/28/2011
TDS	1800 mg/l	1200 mg/l	05/04/2011
TDS	1800 mg/l	1200 mg/l	01/26/2011
TDS	1760 mg/l	1200 mg/l	12/01/2010

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.

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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 Stand	lard	Collection Date
Boron	-	mg/l		mg/l	01/25/2012
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Boron		mg/l	2.0	mg/l	11/11/2011
Boron	3.2	mg/l	2.0	mg/l	07/25/2011
Boron	3.9	mg/l	2.0	mg/l	05/04/2011
Boron	3.8	mg/l	2.0	mg/l	01/26/2011
Boron	3.54	mg/l	2.0	mg/l	12/01/2010
Manganese	0.460	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	01/25/2012
Manganese	0.670	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	11/11/2011
Manganese	0.740	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	07/25/2011
Manganese	0.81	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	05/04/2011
Manganese	0.240	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	01/26/2011
Manganese	0.78	mg/l	0.150	mg/l	12/01/2010
Sulfate	680	mg/l	400	mg/l	01/25/2012
Sulfate	450	mg/l	400	mg/l	11/11/2011
Sulfate	750	mg/l	400	mg/l	07/25/2011
Sulfate	650	mg/l	400	mg/l	05/04/2011
Sulfate	670	mg/l	400	mg/l	01/26/2011
Sulfate	600	mg/l	400	mg/l	12/01/2010
TDS	1300	mg/l	1200	mg/l	11/11/2011
TDS	1300	mg/l	1200	mg/l	07/25/2011
TDS	1300	mg/l	1200	mg/l	05/04/2011

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.