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Mr. Mark Loerop
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**Subject: Initial Annual CCR Surface Impoundment Inspection Report
Interstate Power and Light Company – Ottumwa Generating Station
Ottumwa, IA**

Mr. Loerop:

Thank you for preparing the initial annual inspection report that is required under 40 CFR 257.83(b) of the Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) Rule. We have carefully reviewed the findings and recommendations contained in the report. We understand that you did not observe any indication of an actual or potential structural weakness within the existing CCR surface impoundment. Thus, we have focused on improving the vegetative conditions, as recommended. In response to the report, we have completed the following measures:

- Dense / tall vegetation along the upstream slopes of the north and east embankments of the OGS Main Ash Pond has been removed.
- Dense / tall vegetation along the downstream slope of the north embankment of the OGS Main Ash Pond has been removed.
- Vegetation along the Main Ash Pond embankments is now managed to facilitate effective inspections.

The work was completed as soon as feasible and in a manner that protects the safety of our employees and meets all local, state, and federal requirements. We will continue to manage the vegetation along the embankments to facilitate effective inspections, and we look forward to your next annual inspection.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Eveland", written in a cursive style.

Jim Eveland
Plant Manager
Ottumwa Generating Station

Cc: Jeff Maxted, Marney Hoefler – Alliant Energy
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