# CLECO POWER LLC DOLET HILLS POWER STATION



### **CCR ANNUAL INSPECTION**

### **ASH BASIN NO. 1**

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### SECTION 1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

ANNUAL CCR SURFACE IMPOUNDMENT INSPECTION:			
Facility Name:		Cleco Dolet Hills Power Station	
Address:		963 Power Plant Rd. Mansfield, LA	
Surface Impoundment Name :	Ash Basin No. 1	Owner:	Cleco Power LLC
Surface Impoundment ID:	P-0037M3	Operator:	Cleco Power LLC
Nearest City:	Mansfield	Parish:	DeSoto
Inspector:		James C. Van Hoof, P.E.	
Company:		Providence Engineering & Environmental Group LLC	
Date of Inspection:		12/13/2021	
Weather at Time of Inspection:		Cloudy, Cool	
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#### DESCRIPTION OF THE OPERATION OF THE SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS:

The bottom ash and economizer ash are mixed with water and sluiced in a slurry form to either of the two Ash Basins. Ash slurry pipelines within each basin enable the discharge of the slurry at multiple points within each basin. The discharge into each respective basin begins at the end of the pipeline network at the point furthest from the weir box, and proceeds toward the front of the pond. As a basin fills with ash, sections of the discharge pipe are removed as needed so that ash can be uniformly deposited and the storage capacity of each basin fully utilized. The ash-laden water is retained in the Ash Basins for a period of time sufficient to settle most of the suspended particles out of the sluice water. Both Ash Basins capture and retain rainfall runoff from drainage areas upstream of the basin dikes.

Bottom ash is sluiced to Ash Basins No. 1 and No. 2. When one basin is in service collecting ash which settles out of the recirculating sluice water, the other basin is drained and cleaned, as needed.

1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION			
Owner Contact:	Kaleb Atkins	Phone:	318-682-8562
Plant Manager:	Marty Robinson	Phone:	318-682-8523
Dam Status:	Operational	Year Built:	1984
Latitude:	32° 01.82' N	Longitude:	93° 33.68' W
Dam Size:	400 Acre-Feet @ 253.5 ft.		
Bottom of Pond Elevation	220 ft. NAVD 88	Top of Dike Elevation:	256 ft. NAVD 88
Low Operating Level Elevation:	230 ft. NAVD 88	High Operating Level Elevation:	251 ft. NAVD 88
High Operating Level Storage: 330 acre-feet @ 251.0 ft. NAVD 88			
Maximum Storage:	400 acre-feet @ 253.5 ft. NAVD 88		
Maximum Surface Impoundment Area:	m Surface Impoundment Area: 33.18 Acres		
Offsite Drainage Area:	Discharges to Secondary Pond, thence to Mundy Bayou		
Spillway/Overflow Structure Type:	Internal adjustable concrete stoplog overflow weir structure that drains through culvert		
	to Secondary Pond. Also, an auxiliary overflow spillway drains to the Secondary		
	Pond. The auxiliary spillway has 6" riprap on the bottom and sides of the spillway up		
	to elevation 256.0 NAVD 88.		

### SECTION 2.0 QUESTIONS FOR OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE

2.0 QUESTIONS FOR OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE	
Construction Plans Available?	☑ Yes ☐ No
Site Facility Map Available?	☑ Yes ☐ No
Operations and Maintenance Manual Available?	☑ Yes □ No
Emergency Action Plan Available?	☑ Yes □ No
Recent Modification or Improvements?	None
Are Routine Inspections Completed?	☑ Yes ☐ No
Is Routine Maintenance Completed?	☑ Yes ☐ No
Is There Vehicle Access to the Pond?	☑ Yes ☐ No
Is Access Available During Heavy Rains?	☑ Yes □ No
Are Routine Inspection Logs Kept On-site?	☑ Yes ☐ No
Offsite Drainage Area:	Discharges to Secondary Pond, thence to Mundy
	Bayou
Spillway/Overflow Structure Type:	Internal adjustable concrete stoplog overflow weir structure that drains through culvert to Secondary Pond, thence to Mundy Bayou. Also, an auxiliary overflow spillway drains to the Secondary Pond. The auxiliary spillway has 6" riprap on the bottom and sides of the spillway up to elevation 256.0 NAVD 88.

### SECTION 3.0 PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES - RESERVOIR

3.0 PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES – RESERVOIR:		
Staff Gauge Type:	Level Gauge Indicator	
Staff Gauge Elevation at Time of Inspection:	238.0 ft. NAVD 88	
Normal Operating Elevation:	246.0 ft. NAVD 88	
Typical Operation:	Discharges to Secondary Pond, thence to Mundy Bayou	
Are there any visible swirls?	□ Yes ☑ No	
If yes, describe (size, location, etc.)		
Is there excessive CCR buildup in the surface	□ Yes ☑ No	
impoundment?		
If yes, describe (size of area, location, severity, etc.)		
Approximate volume of Impounded water at time of	224 acre-feet	
inspection:		
Approximate volume of CCR at time of inspection:	250,000 cubic yards	
Findings:	The reservoir was inspected and appeared to be in satisfactory condition. No corrective actions are required at this time.	
Other observations on the reservoir:	None	

# SECTION 4.0 PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES - INTAKE WORKS

4.0 PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES – INTAKE WORKS:		
Number of Intakes:	Four	
Description (1):	Primary Bottom Ash Sluice Pipe	
Size and Type:	12 Inch Steel Pipe	
Control:	Controlled by Pumps at Plant	
Can Flow be Shutoff or Bypassed:	☑ Yes □ No	
Description (2):	Chemical Sump Pipe	
Size and Type:	9 Inch Fiberglass/PVC	
Control:	Valve	
Can Flow be Shutoff or Bypassed:	☑ Yes ☐ No	
Description (3):	Intermittent Treated Sanitary Discharge	
Size and Type:	4 Inch HDPE	
Control:	Controlled by Pumps at Sanitary Unit	
Can Flow be Shutoff or Bypassed:	☑ Yes   □ No	
Description (4):	Boiler Area Sump Water	
Size and Type:	12 Inch Steel Pipe	
Control:	Controlled by Pumps at Plant	
Can Flow be Shutoff or Bypassed:	☑ Yes ☐ No	
Is the in-flow piping free of debris and otherwise unobstructed?	☑ Yes ☐ No	
If no, describe (type of debris, reason for obstruction, etc.)		
Describe the quality of discharge from hydraulic structure	The inflowing water contains bottom ash which is sluiced	
(turbidity, depth, etc.)	out of solution.	
Findings:	The intake works were inspected and appeared to be in	
	satisfactory condition. No corrective actions are required	
	at this time.	
Other observations on the intake works:	None	

# SECTION 5.0 PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES - OUTLET WORKS

5.0 PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES – OUTLET WORKS:		
Number of Outlets:	One	
Outlets/Culvert Pipe Sizes:	36 Inches	
Type of Pipes:	Corrugated Metal Pipe from internal overflow weir structure to	
	Secondary Pond.	
Control:	Adjustable concrete stoplog overflow weir structure	
Can Flow be Shutoff or Bypassed:	☑ Yes ☐ No	
Describe the overall condition of the hydraulic structure: (Check	☑ Functioning Normally	
all that apply)	☐ Not Functional	
	☐ Deteriorated	
	□ Damaged	
	☐ Adequate	
	☐ Inadequate Other:(describe)	
Is there evidence of erosion around the hydraulic structure?	☐ Yes  ☑ No	
If yes, describe (size of area, location, severity, etc.)		
Is the hydraulic structure outlet flowing freely and unobstructed? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
If no, describe ( type of debris, reason for obstruction, etc.)		
Describe the quality of discharge from the hydraulic structure (turbidity, depth, etc.)	The outflowing water is relatively clear and discharges to the Secondary Pond.	
Findings:	The outlet works were inspected and appeared to be in	
	satisfactory condition. No corrective actions are required at this	
	time.	
Other observations on the outlet works:	None	

# SECTION 6.0 SLOPE PROTECTION - EXTERIOR SLOPES

6.0 SLOPE PROTECTION – EXTERIOR SLOPES:		
Describe the vegetation on the exterior slope:	☐ Recently Mowed	
(Check all that apply)	☑ Good Cover	
	☐ Sparse	
	☐ Other: (describe)	
Is there any erosion on the exterior slope?	☐ Yes ☑ No	
If yes, describe (size of area, location, severity, etc.)		
Is there any erosion protection on the exterior slopes?	☐ Yes ☑ No	
(e.g. riprap, other)		
If yes, describe (riprap - adequate, inadequate, etc.)		
Are there any Crack/Rills Observed?	☐ Yes ☑ No	
If yes, describe (size of area, location, severity, etc.)		
Are there any Sinkholes Observed?	☐ Yes ☑ No	
If yes, describe (size of area, location, severity, etc.)		
Are there any trees on the slopes?	☐ Yes ☑ No	
If yes, describe (type of vegetation, size, location, etc.)		
Findings:	The exterior slope was inspected and appeared to be in satisfactory condition. No corrective actions are required at this time.	
Other observations on the exterior slopes:	None	

### SECTION 7.0 SLOPE PROTECTION - INTERIOR SLOPES

7.0 SLOPE PROTECTION – INTERIOR SLOPES:			
Describe the vegetation on the interior slopes:	☐ Recently Mowed		
(Check all that apply)	☑ Good Cover		
	☐ Sparse		
	☐ Other: (describe)		
Is there any erosion on the interior slope?	☐ Yes ☑ No		
If yes, describe (size of area, location, severity, etc.)			
Is there any erosion protection on the interior slopes?	☐ Yes ☑ No		
(e.g. riprap, other)			
If yes, describe what type and it's condition (riprap - adequate, inadequate, etc.)			
Are there any Crack/Rills Observed?	☐ Yes ☑ No		
If yes, describe (size of area, location, severity, etc.)			
Are there any Sinkholes Observed?	☐ Yes ☑ No		
If yes, describe (size of area, location, severity, etc.)			
Findings:	The interior slope was inspected and appeared to be in satisfactory condition. No corrective actions are required at this time.		
Other observations on the interior slopes:	None		

# SECTION 8.0 SLOPE PROTECTION - ABUTMENT/ TOE

8.0 SLOPE PROTECTION – ABUTMENT/TOE:	
Describe the vegetation on the Abutment/Toe:	☐ Recently Mowed
(Check all that apply)	☑ Good Cover
	☐ Sparse
	☐ Other: (describe)
Is there any erosion on the abutment/toe?	☐ Yes ☑ No
If yes, describe (size of area, location, severity, etc.)	
Is there any erosion protection on the abutment/toe?	☐ Yes ☑ No
(e.g. riprap, other)	
If yes, describe what type and it's condition (riprap - adequate, inade	equate, etc.)
Are there any Crack/Rills Observed?	☐ Yes ☑ No
If yes, describe (size of area, location, severity, etc.)	
Is there any Seepage Observed:	☐ Yes ☑ No
If yes, describe (size of area, location, severity, etc.)	
Findings:	The abutment/toe was inspected and appeared to be in satisfactory condition. No corrective actions are required at this time.
Other observations on the abutment/toe:	None

# SECTION 9.0 SURFACE IMPOUNDMENT CREST

☐ Recently Mowed
☑ Good Cover
☐ Sparse
☑ Other: (describe) Gravel
☑ Yes □ No
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☐ Yes ☑ No
☐ Yes ☑ No
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☐ Yes ☑ No
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☐ Yes ☑ No
The crest was inspected and appeared to be in satisfactory condition. No corrective actions are required at this time.
None

# SECTION 10.0 PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES – SPILLWAY

10.0 PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES – SPILLWAY/OVERFLOW SRUCTURE TYPE:		
Type (1):	Internal Concrete Structure with Adjustable Overflow Weir	
Slope Protection:	Encased in concrete	
Approach:	Concrete structure within ash sluice water. Vegetation on the north side of the structure has good cover.	
Erosion:	None observed	
Vegetation:	Vegetation on the northern side of the structure has good cover.	
Findings:	The overflow structure was inspected and appeared to be in satisfactory condition. No corrective actions are required at this time.	
Other observations on the overflow structure:	None	
Type (2):	Auxiliary Spillway	
Slope Protection:	6" rip rap up to elevation 256.0 NAVD 88.	
Approach:	6" rip rap up to elevation 256.0 NAVD 88.	
Erosion:	None observed	
Vegetation:	Grass vegetation on top of the rip rap as it enters the Secondary Pond.	
Findings:	The spillway was inspected and appeared to be in satisfactory condition. No corrective actions are required at this time.	
Other observations on the spillway:	None	

### SECTION 11.0 DOCUMENTATION REVIEW

11.0 DOCUMENTATION REVIEW:	
Weekly Inspections Reviewed:	☑ Yes ☐ No
Findings: Vegetation maintenance.	
Monthly Instrument Inspections Reviewed:	☑ Yes  ☐ No
Findings: No issues.	
Groundwater Monitoring:	Monitoring wells are in-place.
Drawings Reviewed:	☑ Yes ☐ No
Are there any changes in the geometry of the surface	Yes ☑ No ☐ NA
impoundment structure since the previous inspection?	
If yes, describe (size, location, etc.)	
Other observations:	None

### APPENDIX A PHOTOGRAPH LOG



**Site Name:** Dolet Hills Power Station – Ash Basin No. 1

Site Location: Mansfield, DeSoto Parish, LA

Date: December 13, 2021

#### Ash Basin No. 1

#### Direction:

Southeasterly

#### Comments:

Overflow weir structure with concrete stoplogs. Level gauge attached to structure.



#### Ash Basin No. 1

#### Direction:

Westerly

#### **Comments:**

Internal slope of northern levee.





**Site Name:** Dolet Hills Power Station – Ash Basin No. 1

Site Location: Mansfield, DeSoto Parish, LA

Date: December 13, 2021

#### Ash Basin No. 1

#### **Direction:**

Easterly

#### **Comments:**

External slope of northern levee.



#### Ash Basin No. 1

#### **Direction:**

Northerly

#### **Comments:**

Internal slope of western levee.





**Site Name:** Dolet Hills Power Station – Ash Basin No. 1

Site Location: Mansfield, DeSoto Parish, LA

Date: December 13, 2021

#### Ash Basin No. 1

#### Direction:

Southerly

#### **Comments:**

Bottom ash sluicing structure in surface impoundment.



#### Ash Basin No. 1

#### Direction:

Northerly

#### Comments:

Access road on western levee.





**Site Name:** Dolet Hills Power Station – Ash Basin No. 1

Site Location: Mansfield, DeSoto Parish, LA

Date: December 13, 2021

#### Ash Basin No. 1

#### Direction:

Northerly

#### Comments:

Western exterior levee slope.



#### Ash Basin No. 1

#### Direction:

Southerly

#### **Comments:**

Western exterior levee slope.



### APPENDIX B P.E. CERTIFICATION

### ASH BASIN NO. 1 CCR ANNUAL INSPECTION

#### PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I have inspected Cleco's Dolet Hills Power Station Ash Basin No.1 in accordance with the Annual CCR Inspection requirements. This inspection has determined that the design, operation, and maintenance of the Ash Basin No. 1 is in accordance with generally accepted engineering standards and is adequate for the facility.

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James C. Van	Hoof, P.E.	REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER
Signature	0	ENGINEER THE
12/29/2021	_	
Date	_	(Seal)

This inspection was conducted to assess the general overall condition of the reservoir/dam, identify visible deficiencies, and recommend areas for monitoring, and corrective actions. The inspection is based only on visible features/areas of the dam on the day of inspection. The owner should verify the findings of this report and take corrective actions. This inspection does not relieve the owner/operator from their responsibility to conduct routine inspections, maintenance, repairs, modifications, monitoring, and documentation.