# 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 Po	Cleco Dolet Hills Power Station	
Address:		963 Power Plant Ro	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:		Gary J. Leonards, P.E.		
Company:		Providence Engineering & Environmental Group LLC		
Date of Inspection:		12/12/2022		
Weather at Time of Inspection:		Cloudy, Overcast		

### **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. Ash Basin No. 1 is in the final closure stage.

1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION			
Owner Contact:	Elizabeth Lee	Phone:	318-793-1194
Plant Manager:	Robert Breedlove	Phone:	318-484-7679
Dam Status:	OperationalFinal Closure Stage	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:	ooundment 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. Spillway modifications made to support final closure activities.		

### SECTION 2.0 QUESTIONS FOR OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE

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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	
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sluiced in a slurry form to either of the two Ash Basins. Ash slurry	Bayou	
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### SECTION 3.0 PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES - RESERVOIR

3.0 PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES – RESERVOIR:		
Staff Gauge Type:	Level Gauge Indicator Removed	
Staff Gauge Elevation at Time of Inspection:	N/A	
Normal Operating Elevation:	246.0 ft. NAVD 88	
Typical Operation:	Discharges to Secondary Pond, thence to Mundy	
Are there any visible swirls?	☐ Yes ☑ No	
If yes, describe (size, location, etc.)		
Is there excessive CCR buildup in the surface impoundment?	☐ Yes ☑ No	
If yes, describe (size of area, location, severity, etc.)		
Approximate volume of Impounded water at time of inspection:	200,000 gallons	
Approximate volume of CCR at time of inspection:	CCR material removal in progress. Nearly all material	
	removed.	
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	Ash Basin No. 1 is in final closure stage.	
pipelines within each basin enable the discharge of the slurry at		
Other observations on the reservoir:	None	

## SECTION 4.0 PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES - INTAKE WORKS

4.0 PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES – INTAKE WORKS:	
Number of Intakes:	0
Description (1):	N/A
Size and Type:	N/A
Control:	N/A
Can Flow be Shutoff or Bypassed:	☑ Yes ☐ No
Is the in-flow piping free of debris and otherwise unobstructed?	N/A
If no, describe (type of debris, reason for obstruction, etc.)	□ No
Describe the quality of discharge from hydraulic structure (turbidity, depth, etc.)	Ash sluicing operations have ceased. Sluice piping is being removed.
,	boing removed.
Findings:	Ash sluicing operations have ceased. Sluice piping is being removed.
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 all that	☑ Functioning Normally	
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.)		
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	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.)	<u>.</u>
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)
	Ash Basin No. 1 in final closure stage. Ash removal
	operations ongoing.
Is there any erosion on the interior slope?	
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:	Ash Basin No. 1 in final closure stage. Ash removal operations ongoing.
The bottom ash and economizer ash are mixed with water and sluiced in a	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, inadequate, 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.	
The bottom ash and economizer ash are mixed with water and sluiced in	None	

## SECTION 9.0 SURFACE IMPOUNDMENT CREST

9.0 SURFACE IMPOUNDMENT CREST:	
Describe the vegetation on the crest: (Check all that apply)	☐ Recently Mowed
	☑ Good Cover
	☐ Sparse
	Other: (describe) Gravel
Is there a road or driveway on the crest?	✓ Yes □ No
If yes, describe (good condition, numerous cracks, etc.) Good Condition	
Are there any ruts, depressions, or holes on the crest?	☐ Yes ☑ No
If yes, describe (size, location, etc.)	
Are there any cracks on the crest?	☐ Yes ☑ No
If yes, describe (length and width, location and direction of cracking, etc.)	
Are there any trees or other undesired vegetation on the crest?	☐ Yes ☑ No
If yes, describe (size, location, etc.)	
Are there any sinkholes?	☐ Yes ☑ No
The bottom ash and economizer ash are mixed with water and sluiced in a slurry fo	rm to either of the two Ash Basins. Ash slurry pipelines
Findings:	The crest was inspected and appeared to be in satisfactory condition. No corrective actions are required at this time.
Other observations on the crest:	None

## SECTION 10.0 PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES – SPILLWAY

10.0 PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES – SPILLWAY/OVERFLOW STRUCTURE TYPE:		
Type (1):	Internal Concrete Structure with Adjustable Overflow Weir	
Slope Protection:	Encased in concrete	
Approach:	Concrete structure exposed.	
Erosion:	None observed	
Vegetation:	Concrete structure exposed.	
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: No issues.	
Monthly Instrument Inspections Reviewed:	☑ Yes ☐ No
Findings: No issues.	
Groundwater Monitoring:	Monitoring wells are in-place for routine monitoring.
Drawings Reviewed:	☑ Yes ☐ No
Are there any changes in the geometry of the surface impoundment	☐ Yes ☑ No ☐ NA
structure since the previous inspection?	
If yes, describe (size, location, etc.)	
Other observations:	Ash Basin No. 1 in final closure stage. Ash removal operations ongoing.

### APPENDIX A PHOTOGRAPH LOG

### **Cleco Power LLC**



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

Site Location: Mansfield, DeSoto Parish, LA

Date: December 12, 2022

### Ash Basin No. 1

### Direction:

Southerly

### Comments:

Interior slope of western levee.



### Ash Basin No. 1

### Direction:

Southeasterly

### Comments:

Remains of Bottom Ash sluicing structure and outfall structure.



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Southeasterly

### **Comments:**

Remains of Bottom Ash sluicing structure in surface impoundment.



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### Direction:

Southeasterly

### Comments:

Remains of Bottom Ash sluicing structure in surface impoundment.

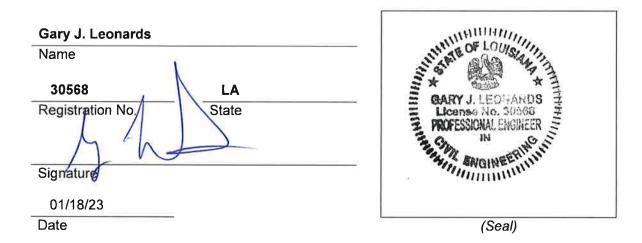


### APPENDIX B P.E. CERTIFICATION

### 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.



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.