ANNUAL CCR SURFACE IMPOUNDMENT INSPECTION			
Facility Name:		Cleco Brame Energy Center	
Address:		275 Rodemacher Rd. Lena, LA	
Surface Impoundment Name :	Bottom Ash Pond	Owner:	Cleco Power LLC
Surface Impoundment ID:	P-0005	Operator:	Cleco Power LLC
Nearest City:	Boyce	Parish:	Rapides
Inspector:		James C. Van Hoof, P.E.	
Company:		Providence Engine	eering & Environmental Group LLC
Date of Inspection:		12/10//2018	
Weather at Time of Inspection:		Sunny, Cool	

DESCRIPTION OF THE OPERATION OF THE SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS:

The Brame Energy Center's Bottom Ash and Fly Ash surface impoundments are designed to accept the coal combustion residual (CCR) byproducts derived from burning of the Unit 2 coal for the generation of electricity. The ponds are classified by the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) as Type I Surface Impoundments. Water from the Fly Ash surface impoundment is pumped into the Bottom Ash impoundment which discharges by means of three pumps that discharge the wastewater through the outlet pipe on the western end of the pond. This water discharges into Lake Rodemacher via LPDES outfall 401, thence to Bayou Jean de Jean via LPDES outfall 001, then to the Red River. The minimum levee elevation for the Bottom Ash impoundment is 106 feet NAVD 88. To determine the maximum storage capacity, Providence assumed a freeboard of three feet to the top of the impoundment. The bottom elevation of the Bottom Ash Pond as noted in the solid waste permit application is 85 feet MSL. The maximum capacity of this impoundment, with a freeboard of three feet, is approximately 760.5 acre-feet.

The minimum levee elevation for the Fly Ash impoundment is 105 feet NAVD 88. The bottom elevation of the Fly Ash Pond as noted in the solid waste permit application is 85 feet MSL. The permitted capacity of this impoundment is 460.0 acre-feet.

GENERAL			
Owner Contact:	Jacob Hudson	Phone:	318-793-1194
Plant Manager:	George Broussard	Phone:	318-793-1200
Dam Status:	Operational	Year Built:	1982
Latitude:	31° 23.83' N	Longitude:	92° 42.27' W
Dam Size:	760.5 Acre-Feet (3' Freeboard)		
Bottom of Pond Elevation Information:	85 ft. MSL	Top of Dike Elevation:	106 ft. NAVD 88
Low Operating Level Elevation:	90 ft. NAVD 88	High Operating Level Elevation:	96 ft. NAVD 88
High Operating Level Storage:	464.75 acre-feet @ elevation 96.0 ft. NAVD 88		
Maximum Storage:	760.5 acre feet @ elevation 103.0 ft. NAVD 88		
Maximum Surface Area:	42.25 Acres		
Offsite Drainage Area:	Discharges to Lake Rodemacher via LPDES Outfall 401		
Spillway Type:	None, Pumped through HDPE discharge pipe		

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?	Installed water pumps in 2014 and a new level
	gauge in 2016.
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 Lake Rodemacher via LPDES
	Outfall 401.
Spillway Type:	None, Pumped through discharge pipe.

PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES – RESERVOIR:		
Staff Gauge Type:	Level Gauge Indicator	
Staff Gauge Elevation at Time of Inspection:	100.2 ft. NAVD 88	
Normal Operating Elevation:	92.0 ft. NAVD 88	
Typical Operation:	Discharges to Lake Rodemacher via LPDES Outfall 401.	
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	642.20 acre-ft.	
inspection:		
Approximate volume of CCR at time of inspection:	505,000 cubic yards	
Findings:	The reservoir was inspected and appeared to be in satisfactory condition. Level guage needs to be set upright.	
Other observations on the reservoir:	None	

PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES - INTAKE WORKS:		
Number of Intakes:	Five	
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):	Secondary 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 (3):	Boiler Area Storm water Sump Pipe	
Size and Type:	12 Inch Steel Pipe	
Control:	Controlled by Pumps at Plant	
Can Flow be Shutoff or Bypassed:	✓ Yes No	
Description (4):	Fly Ash Discharge Pipe into Bottom Ash Pond	
Size and Type:	6 inch HDPE Pipe	
Control:	Controlled by Pump from Fly Ash Pond	
Can Flow be Shutoff or Bypassed:	✓ Yes No	
Description (5):	Bottom Ash Sluice Trench Stormwater Pipe	
Size and Type:	24 inch corrugated metal pipe	
Control:	None	
Can Flow be Shutoff or Bypassed:	☐ Yes ☑ No	
Is the in-flow piping free of debris and otherwise	✓ Yes No	
unobstructed?		
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. Also, Fly Ash storm water is pumped into	
	the Bottom Ash Pond.	
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	

PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES – OUTLET WORKS:		
Number of Outlets:	One	
Outlets/Culvert Pipe Sizes:	12 Inches	
Type of Pipes:	HDPE that runs through 24 inch CMP	
Control:	Pump level controls	
Can Flow be Shutoff or Bypassed:	✓ Yes No	
Describe the overall condition of the hydraulic structure: (Check all that apply)	✓ Functioning Normally ☐ 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 Lake Rodemacher via LPDES Outfall 401 which cycles back to the plant.	
Findings:	The outet 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	

SLOPE PROTECTION – EXTERIOR SLOPES:	
Describe the vegetation on the exterior slope: (Check all that	Recently Mowed
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? (e.g.	☐ Yes ☑ No
riprap, other)	
If yes, describe (riprap - adequate, inadequate, etc.)	
Are there any Crack/Rills Observed?	Yes V 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

SLOPE PROTECTION – INTERIOR SLOPES:		
Describe the vegetation on the interior slopes: (Check all that	Recently Mowed	
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? (e.g.	✓ Yes No	
riprap, other)		
If yes, describe what type and it's condition (riprap - adequate, inad	equate, etc.) Riprap at 24" CMP storm water pipe outlet.	
Protection is adequate.		
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. Only minor corrective actions are required at this time based on other observations below.	
Other observations on the interior slopes:	Small trees were noted on the southern interior levee that need to be removed.	

SLOPE PROTECTION – ABUTMENT/TOE:		
Describe the vegetation on the Abutment/Toe: (Check all that	Recently Mowed	
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? (e.g.	☐ Yes ☑ No	
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.	
Other observations on the abutment/toe:	None	

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 Co	ondition	
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	☐ Yes ☑ No	
crest?		
If yes, describe (size, location, etc.)		
Are there any sinkholes?	☐ Yes ☑ No	
If yes, describe (size, location, etc.)		
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	

PHYSICAL DAM FEATURES - SPILLWAY:		
Type:	None - Pumped through discharge pipe	
Slope Protection:	NA	
Approach:	NA	
Erosion:	NA	
Vegetation:	NA	
Findings:	NA	
Other observations on the spillway:	NA	

DOCUMENTATION REVIEW:	
Weekly Inspections Reviewed:	✓ Yes No
Findings: Pump 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 V No NA
impoundment structure since the previous	
inspection?	
If yes, describe (size, location, etc.)	
Other observations:	None



Site Name: Brame Energy Center – Bottom Ash Pond

Site Location: Lena, Rapides Parish, LA

Date: December 10, 2018

Bottom Ash Pond

Direction:

Easterly

Comments:

Floating pump structure in Bottom Ash Pond.



Bottom Ash Pond

Direction:

Southerly

Comments:

Western slope of interior levee.





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Bottom Ash Pond

Direction:

Easterly

Comments:

Northern slope of internal levee.



Bottom Ash Pond

Direction:

Easterly

Comments:

Crest of northern levee.





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Bottom Ash Pond

Direction:

Southerly

Comments:

Inside slope of eastern levee.



Bottom Ash Pond

Direction:

Northerly

Comments:

Discharge pipe from the Fly Ash Pond into the Bottom Ash Pond.





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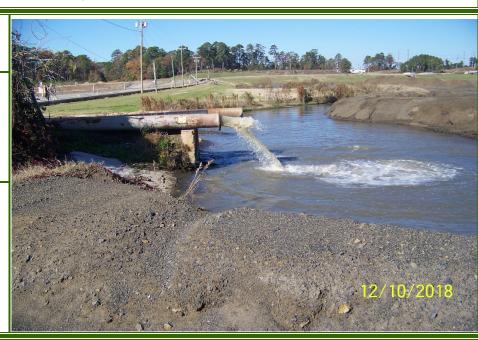
Bottom Ash Pond

Direction:

Westerly

Comments:

Sluice pipe discharging into the Bottom Ash Pond.



Bottom Ash Pond

Direction:

Northerly

Comments:

Storm water discharge pipe from sluice pipe trench.





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Bottom Ash Pond

Direction:

Easterly

Comments:

Exterior slope of northern levee.



Bottom Ash Pond

Direction:

Westerly

Comments:

Bottom Ash shown in southeast corner of Bottom Ash Pond.





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Site Location: Lena, Rapides Parish, LA

Date: December 10, 2018

Bottom Ash Pond

Direction:

Easterly

Comments:

Area along the southern interior levee. Brush needs to be removed on interior of levee.



Bottom Ash Pond

Direction:

Westerly

Comments:

Bottom Ash discharge pipe shown on interior of the western levee.



BOTTOM ASH POND CCR ANNUAL INSPECTION

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I have inspected Cleco's Brame Energy Center Bottom Ash Pond in accordance with the Annual CCR Inspection requirements. This inspection has determined that the design, operation, and maintenance of the Bottom Ash Pond is in accordance with generally accepted engineering standards and are adequate for the facility.

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1-10-2019		
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.