Coal Combustion Residuals Annual Fugitive Dust Control Report Hoot Lake Plant

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Introduction

This report is the Annual Fugitive Dust Control Report that is required by the Coal Combustion Residual (CCR) rule that went into effect in October of 2015. This report is for the Hoot Lake Plant located in Fergus Falls, MN. It is for the time period of October 2015 to December 2016.

Section 257.80(c) of the CCR requires three segments for the completion of this report. The first is actions taken by the owner/operator to control CCR fugitive dust. The second is a record of all citizen complaints (Table 1). The third is a summary of any corrective measures taken.

Actions taken to control CCR fugitive dust

The following Best Management Practices have been identified as CCR fugitive dust control measures.

Water

 Fugitive dust is largely controlled by the use of water. Water is used to condition the ash prior to its transfer from silos to transport vehicles, and is also used to wet the in-place ash and haul roads as needed.

Vehicle Speed Control

 Vehicles are restricted to 20 miles per hour when traveling to and from ash disposal areas or other CCR units.

Minimize the Open Working Area

 The working face of the landfill or CCR unit will be as small as is practicable to prevent erosion. This is accomplished by installing intermediate and final cover to reduce footprint size.

Vehicle covering

 Occasionally other vehicles may be used to transport CCR. These vehicles will be enclosed or covered during transport if fugitive dust is a concern.

Curtailing operations

• In extreme weather events, transport of CCR will be reduced or delayed until conditions improve.

Table 1 Citizen Complaint Record

		Fugitive Dust Citizen Complaint	
Date	Citizen Complaint	Was complaint confirmed (Yes/No)	Corrective Measures Taken
	No citizen complaints occurred over this time period		

Summary of corrective measures taken

On August 12th, 15th, 23rd, and 29th and September 6th, 8th, 15th, 19th, and 21st, fugitive dust was observed within the facility boundaries on the haul roads and/or the landfill serving the plant. Fugitive dust was not observed leaving the property. A combination of best management practices were used to prevent fugitive dust from reforming on these dates. Drivers were instructed to slow down and in some cases water was applied to the haul roads to control fugitive dust.