ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PERMIT

LOG NUMBERS:

2748-09

PERMIT NO.: 2009-EB-2748

FINAL PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, APPLICATION

AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

PREPARED BY: Natural Resource Technology Group

DATE ISSUED:

SUBJECT: MIDWEST GENERATION LLC - Powerton Generating Station - Metal Cleaning Basin Liner Replacement -Discharge Tributary to the Illinois River

PERMITTEE TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE

Midwest Generation, LLC 235 Remington Blvd., Suite A Bolingbrook, IL 60440

Permit is hereby granted to the above designated permittee(s) to construct and operate water pollution control facilities described as follows:

The Metal Cleaning Basin at the Powerton Generating Station located at 13082 East Manito Rd. in Pekin, Illinois will undergo a liner upgrade by the addition of a 60 mil HDPE geomembrane liner. At the base, a 12 inch thick sand or limestone cushion layer and a 6 inch coarse aggregate warning layer will be placed on top of the new HDPE liner.

Once complete the liner system will consist of the existing chlorosulfonated polyethylene liner and the new 60 mll HDPE geomembrane liner. The DMF of 1.19 MGD and working volume of 5.4 million gallions at 3 to 6 feet of freeboard for the Metal Cleaning Basin will remain unchanged.

This operating permit expires on September 30, 2014.

This Permit is issued subject to the following Special Condition(s). If such Special Condition(s) require(s) additional or revised facilities, satisfactory engineering plan documents must be submitted to this Agency for review and approval for issuance of a Supplemental Permit.

SPECIAL CONDITION 1: The Permittee to Construct shall be responsible for obtaining an NPDES Storm Water Permit prior to initiating construction if the construction activities associated with this project will result in the disturbance of one (1) or more acres total land area.

An NPDES Storm Water Permit may be obtained by submitting a properly completed Notice of Intent (NOI) form by certified mail to the Agency's Division of Water Pollution Control - Permit Section.")

SPECIAL CONDITION 2: The operational portion of this permit shall be governed by NPDES Permit No. IL0002232.

SPECIAL CONDITION 3: All sludges generated on site shall be disposed of at a site and in a manner acceptable to the Agency.

SPECIAL CONDITION 4: The existing Midwest Generation waste storage lagoon shall adhere to the following groundwater protection elements:

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THE STANDARD CONDITIONS OF ISSUANCE INDICATED ON THE REVERSE SIDE MUST BE COMPLIED WITH IN FULL. READ ALL CONDITIONS CAREFULLY.

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EXHIBIT

READ ALL CONDITIONS CAREFULLY: STANDARD CONDITIONS

The Illinois Environmental Protection Act (Illinois Revised Statutes Chapter 111-12. Section 1039) grants the Environmental Protection Agency authority to impose conditions on permits which it issues.

- Unless the construction for which this permit is issued has been completed, this permit will expire (1) two years after the date of issuance for permits to construct sewers or wastewater sources or (2) three years after the date of issuance for permits to construct treatment works or pretreatment works.
- The construction or development of facilities covered by this permit shall be done in compliance with applicable provisions of Federal laws and regulations, the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, and Rules and Regulations adopted by the Illinois Pollution Control Board.
- There shall be no deviations from the approved plans and specifications unless a written request for modification of the project, along with plans and specifications as required, shall have been submitted to the Agency and a supplemental written permit issued.
- The permittee shall allow any agent duly authorized by the Agency upon the presentations of credentials:
 - to enter at reasonable times, the permittee's premises where actual or potential effluent, emission or noise sources are located or where any activity is to be conducted pursuant to this permit;
 - to have access to and copy at reasonable times any records required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit;
 - to inspect at reasonable times, including during any hours of operation of equipment constructed or operated under this permit, such equipment or monitoring methodology or equipment required to be kept, used, operated, calibrated and maintained under this permit;
 - d. to obtain and remove at reasonable times samples of any discharge or emission of pollutants;
 - to enter at reasonable times and utilize any photographic, recording, testing, monitoring or other equipment for the purpose of preserving, testing, monitoring, or recording any activity, discharge, or emission authorized by this permit.

- 5. The issuance of this permit:
 - a. shall not be considered as in any manner affecting the title of the premises upon which the permitted facilities are to be located;
 - does not release the permittee from any liability for damage to person or property caused by or resulting from the construction, maintenance, or operation of the proposed facilities;
 - does not release the permittee from compliance with other applicable statutes and regulations of the United States, of the State of Illinois, or with applicable local laws, ordinances and regulations;
 - d. does not take into consideration or attest to the structural stability of any units or parts of the project;
 - in no manner implies or suggests that the Agency (or its officers, agents or employees) assumes any liability, directly or indirectly, for any loss due to damage, installation, maintenance, or operation of the proposed equipment or facility.
- Unless a joint construction/operation permit has been issued, a permit for operating shall be obtained from the agency before the facility or equipment covered by this permit is placed into operation.
- These standard conditions shall prevail unless modified by special conditions.
- The Agency may file a complaint with the Board for suspension or revocation of a permit:
 - a. upon discovery that the permit application contained misrepresentations, misinformation or false statement or that all relevant facts were not disclosed; or
 - b. upon finding that any standard or special conditions have been violated; or
 - upon any violation of the Environmental Protection Act or any Rules or Regulation effective thereunder as a result of the construction or development authorized by this permit.

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- 1. A minimum of three monitoring wells must be installed around the waste storage lagoon, no more than 25 feet from the outermost edge of the waste storage lagoon. At least one of the monitoring wells must be located down gradient of the waste storage lagoon. The monitoring wells should be screened in the upper most water bearing materials. Provide drillers logs and well completion reports, and an updated monitoring well location map after well completion.
- 2. At least six groundwater samples must be collected from each monitoring well within one year, to establish a statistically valid representation of existing (background) concentrations.
- 3. Sample monitoring wells for the chemical parameters listed in 35 IAC 620.410(a) and (d). The sampling plan will be required as part of the permit. The following parameters listed below should also be sampled.

Specific Conductance Temperature Depth to Water (bls) Depth to Water (bmp) Elevation of MP Elevation of GW Surface

- 4. After a background concentration for each constituent is determined, monitoring will be conducted and reported monthly during waste storage lagoon use.
- 5. In the event that any Class I: Potable Resource Groundwater Quality Standards are exceeded in any potable water supply well, and is attributable to the operation of the waste storage lagoon, an alternative water supply shall be supplied with all costs of providing the alternative supply being borne by the owner of waste storage
- 6. A corrective action plan is required, if monitoring well analysis indicates impacted groundwater from the waste storage lagoon.
- 7. The liner must be protected from degradation.
- 8. Copies of the groundwater monitoring well sample analysis shall be submitted to the following addresses:

Illinois EPA Division of Water Pollution Control Division of Water Pollution Compliance Assurance Section 1021 North Grand Avenue East P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

Illinois EPA DWPC - Peoria Region 5415 North University Ave. Peoria, Illinois 61614

Illinois EPA Hydrogeology and Compliance Unit 1021 North Grand Avenue East P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

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