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March 26, 2024

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Dear Mr. Janjić:

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY (TVA) – BULL RUN FOSSIL PLANT (BRF) – NPDES PERMIT NO. TN0005410 – CESSATION OF COAL COMBUSTION and ASSOCIATED NPDES RENEWAL APPLICATION UPDATE

In February 2019, TVA Board of Directors voted to retire BRF by December 1, 2023. TVA provided a corresponding certificate statement regarding retirement in May 2019 (enclosed). In accordance with this decision, BRF has officially ceased coal combustion activities. Plant shutdown went as planned with no delays and as expected, without issue.

Plant closure is complex and requires ongoing discharge of certain wastestreams until ultimate plant deconstruction. Therefore, TVA's BRF National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit renewal application remains valid, and TVA requests continued NPDES coverage to accommodate maintenance, washing, and system flushing in the future until ultimate demolition.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Britta Lees at (865) 771-0051 or by email at bplees@tva.gov.

Sincerely,

Paul Pearman Senior Manager

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May 15, 2019

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Dear Mr. Janjić:

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY (TVA) – BULL RUN FOSSIL PLANT (BRF) – NPDES PERMIT NO. TN0005410 – CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 316(b) WAIVER REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION STATEMENT REGARDING RETIREMENT

As you may be aware, on February 14, 2019, the TVA Board of Directors voted to retire BRF by December 1, 2023.

In accordance with 40 CFR Part 122.21(r)(ii)(G) of EPA's Clean Water Act Section 316(b) Cooling Water Intake Structure Rule, TVA is requesting a waiver from the completion and submittal of certain information requirements included in Part I, Section F of the BRF NPDES permit, which specifies the submittal of Part 122.21(r)(2) through (r)(13) documentation no later than 180 days prior to the expiration date of the permit (April 30, 2023).

For an existing facility planning to retire after the current permit expires, but within one permit cycle [5 years], the Rule provides: "the Director¹ may waive the requirements of paragraphs (r)(7), (9), (10), (11), (12), and (13) of this section [122.21(r)] pending a signed certification statement from the owner or operator of the facility specifying the last operating date of the facility."

Please accept the following as the required Certification Statement in support of this waiver request:

Based on the TVA Board's official decisions of February 14, 2019, I hereby certify that TVA's Bull Run Fossil Plant located in Anderson County, Tennessee will be retired from service by December 1, 2023.

¹ The Commissioner of TDEC is the delegated "Director" in the context of the § 316(b) rule implementation in Tennessee.

Mr. Vojin Janjić Page 2 May 15, 2019

If you have questions, please contact Terry E. Cheek at (423) 751-2201 or by email at techeek@tva.gov.

Sincerely,

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