



**TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY – BIG BEND POWER STATION
CERTIFICATION OF COMPLETION OF REMOVAL OF CCR MATERIALS
AND ECONOMIZER ASH AND PYRITES POND SYSTEM CLOSURE**

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 257.102(f)(3), the owner or operator of a CCR unit must obtain a certification from a Qualified Professional Engineer (“Engineer”) verifying that closure has been completed in accordance with the provisions of 40 C.F.R. § 257.102(c). S&ME, Inc. was retained by Tampa Electric Company (TEC) to observe the site works and prepare this certification verifying that coal combustion residuals (CCR) have been removed from the above-referenced area in accordance with the approved plans and specifications prepared by Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.

This closure project was conducted with direct observation by the Engineer, who verified removal of all CCRs based on visual examination of the areas. This Certification Statement is provided to document that TEC has completed CCR removal from the above-referenced CCR area in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 257.102(c) and the Closure Plan.

This certification is based on information available to the Engineer as of this date. Any opinion or decisions by the Engineer are made on the basis of the Engineer’s experience, qualifications, and professional judgment and are not to be construed as warranties or guaranties.

I, Philip J. Erbland, being a Licensed Professional Engineer, do hereby certify to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, that the information contained herein is true and correct and has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted good engineering practices.

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This item has been digitally signed and sealed by Philip J. Erbland, P.E. on the date adjacent to the seal.
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