

# CCR Construction Certification

Basin Electric Power Cooperative  
Laramie River Station

East Emergency Holding Pond

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## Laramie River Station Bottom Ash Surface Impoundment CCR Retrofit Completion Revision History

Revision No.	Revision Date	Section Revised	Summary of Revision(s)
0	11/2/2020		Original Document

# 1. Background

The purpose of this CCR Construction Certification (Certification) is to document the East Emergency Holding Pond (EHP-E) retrofit construction was completed in accordance with the Retrofit Plan dated January 9, 2020 and that the work was performed in accordance with the Coal Combustion Residuals Rule (CCR Rule). The following sections provide background information on the facility and related regulatory requirements.

## 1.1 Facility Information

<b>Name of Facility</b>	Laramie River Station (LRS)
<b>Name of CCR Units</b>	East Emergency Holding Pond (EHP-E)
<b>Name of Operator</b>	Basin Electric Power Cooperative
<b>Facility Mailing Address</b>	347 Grayrocks Road, Wheatland, WY 82201
<b>Location</b>	Approximately five (5) miles northeast of Wheatland, WY
<b>Facility Description</b>	Laramie River Station (LRS) is owned by Missouri Basin Power Project (MBPP) and operated by Basin Electric Power Cooperative (Basin Electric). LRS consists of three (3) 570 megawatt (MW) units. Unit 1 went online in 1980, Unit 2 went online in 1981 and Unit 3 went online in 1982.

## 1.2 Regulatory Requirements

This certification has been developed for LRS EHP-E in accordance with 40 CFR 257.102 (k). The CCR Rule requires preparation of a certification upon completion of the construction verifying that the retrofit activities have been completed in accordance with the retrofit plan specified in 40 CFR 257.102(k)(2).

## 2. Retrofit Description

The retrofit of EHP-E was performed in accordance with the CCR Rule and recognized and generally accepted good engineering practices. Plan items required under the CCR Rule described in this section constitute the narrative description of the specific measures that were taken to retrofit the CCR Unit, description of CCR removal procedures, estimated volume of CCR removed, and estimated surface area of the Units that affected by the retrofit.

### 2.1 Retrofit Description

The majority of the CCR and CCR impacted materials in EHP-E were consolidated into the eastern portion of the impoundment. Approximately 35,000 CY of material was placed in the West Emergency Holding Pond (EHP-W). Materials included FGD waste, other CCR materials, non-CCR sludge materials from the water treatment plant, the existing rip rap and cover material, and the existing membrane liner system. Upon removal of these layers, the exposed subgrade was visually inspected for the presence of any CCR materials or any other materials which needed to be removed to prepare the subgrade for the proposed construction. Once the subgrade was prepared, a liner system consisting of a geocomposite clay liner system (GCL) was installed. A synthetic membrane liner was then installed to create a composite liner system in accordance with section 257.71 of the CCR Rule. A divider berm was constructed between the portion of EHP-E that was retrofit and the portion which contains the CCR materials for future capping or beneficial use.

### 2.2 CCR Removal

CCR and CCR contaminated soils and sediments were consolidated into the eastern portion of EHP-E and EHP-W by mechanical methods. Once all CCR containing materials had been consolidated, any free water was removed from the surface of the existing membrane system and was pumped into an existing CCR Unit. The membrane liner system was then removed and disposed of in the waste consolidation area. Since a membrane liner system was in place below the impoundments, no CCR contaminated soils or sediments were observed below the previous liner system.

### 2.3 CCR Volumes

A total of 240,661 CY of material were consolidated from the western portion of EHP-E. Approximately 35,000 CY were consolidated into the EHP-W with the remaining 205,661 CY being consolidated into the eastern portion of EHP-E.

### 2.4 CCR Unit Area

The final area of retrofit for the EHP-E based on as-built construction records was 12.0 acres.

### 3. Engineering Certification

#### Certification Statement 40 CFR § 257.102(k)(4) – Completion of Retrofit Activities for an Existing CCR Surface Impoundment

**CCR Unit:** Basin Electric Power Cooperative; Laramie River Station; East Emergency Holding Pond.

I, Jeremy Thomas, being a Registered Professional Engineer in good standing in the State of Wyoming, do hereby certify, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, that the information contained in this certification has been prepared in accordance with the accepted practice of engineering. I certify, for the above-referenced CCR Unit, that the completion of retrofit activities is in accordance with the retrofit plan dated January 9, 2020 prepared pursuant to 40 CFR § 257.102(k)(2) and the requirements of 40 CFR § 257.102.

Jeremy Thomas  
Printed Name

November 2, 2020  
Date

