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FROM : Roy H. Dunham, Manager of Engineering Design, W11A9 C-K

DATE: November 1, 1979

SUBJECT: KINGSTON STEAM PLANT - ANNUAL ASH DISPOSAL AREA INSPECTION

Attached is a report from Ronald D. Powell to Frank D. Stansberry dated October 31, 1979 (CDB 791101 003), on the joint inspection of the ash disposal areas at Kingston Steam Plant which includes recommendations for corrective work. I concur in these recommendations.

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Roy H. Dunham

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: Ronald D. Powell, Civil Engineer (Site Development, Highway, and Railroad FROM Kington Oing

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: October 31, 1979 DATE

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On September 13, 1979, Meigs Brewer of P PROD and I inspected the ash disposal areas at Kingston Steam Plant. We were accompanied on the inspection by Coy Wood, Yard Operations Supervisor. Findings were discussed with Ford Clayton, Assistant Plant Superintendent.

The last annual inspection was made on August 16, 1978 (CDB 781005 007).

On the attached print of drawing 10N420, the different areas are designated.

Change in Dikes Since Last Inspection

There has been no significant change in the dikes since last year's annual inspection.

A small area of surface wetness was observed at the toe of the exterior slope of the south end of dike C (picture 1). It could not be determined whether this condition was due to seepage or a concentration of surface runoff (recommendation 1).

Some areas of the dike slopes, both interior and exterior, have an excellent vegetative cover (pictures 2 and 3); while other areas have a very sparse vegetative cover or are completely bare (pictures 6, 7, and 9 and recommendation 2). Small erosion gullies have developed in parts of the bare areas.

Placement of a bottom ash berm along the interior dike slopes of the ash disposal area is in progress (picture 6).

A finger dike of bottom ash is under construction parallel to and 200± feet north of the east end of the divider dike. This finger dike should provide some relief from the effects of wave action and wind load on the buoyant skimmer in the divider dike flow-through spillway.

The tops of all dikes are smooth and sloped to the inside with a good crushed stone surface.

Change in Pond Operation Since Last Inspection

There has been no change in pond operation since last year's annual inspection.



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Condition of Spillways, Skimmers, and Outlets

The standard spillways and skimmers in the stilling pool area appear to be in good condition and functioning properly. The spillway outlets are discharging equally, and the concrete end wall is in good condition. The riprap outfall to the intake channel appears to be in good condition with no sign of erosion. There was no sign of loss of ash into the intake channel. The weep holes in the concrete end wall of the spillway outlet pipes were seeping; however, the dike slope behind the end wall appeared to be dry and well compacted.

The two buoyant skimmers in the divider dike flow-through spillway appear to be functioning properly with minimal loss of ash into the stilling pool area (picture 4). However, a fly ash slurry was observed covering at least 50 percent or more of the stilling pool area surface (picture 8).

The plant-constructed spillways of the initial ash disposal area in the east end of the north dike were submerged; however, they appeared to be functioning adequately.

The outlets of the plugged and abandoned spillways in the northern portion of the dike C were submerged by Watts Bar Lake and could not be inspected for leakage.

Action on Recommendations of Last Inspection

- 1. All badly eroded areas of the dike slopes have been repaired; however, s nave on small erosion gullies are beginning to develop in parts of the bare areas.....
- 2. Placement of a heavy ash berm along the interior dike slopes of the ash received disposal area is in progress (picture 6). This berm should prevent further erosion of the dike slopes due to wave action.
- 3. Some areas of the dike slopes have an excellent vegetative cover (pictures 2 and 3), while other areas are completely bare (pictures 6, 7, and 9).
- 4. The spillway access area has been regraded and appears to be draining adequately.
- Crushed stone surfacing has been placed on top of the ash disposal areadikes and the spillway access.
- 6. Some areas of the divider dike slopes are badly eroded and do not appear to have had any maintenance work.
- 7. The channel bottom has been lowered and two longer buoyant skimmers have been placed in the flow-through spillway (picture 4). These skimmers appear to be functioning properly.

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- 8. Riprap placement on the divider dike flow-through spillway slopes has deteriorated badly and does not appear to have had any maintenance work (picture 5).
- 9. A private contractor is presently removing some of the fly ash slurry covering the stilling pool area surface.
- The weep holes in the concrete end wall of the spillway outlet pipes were seeping; however, not excessively. The dike slope behind the end wall appears dry and well compacted.

Recommendations

- 1. Plant personnel should regrade the area of surface wetness at the south end of dike C (picture 1) so that surface runoff is not concentrated at the toe of the dike slope and will flow into Watts Bar Reservoir. This area should then be observed for a period of time to determine if a seepage problem exists.
- 2. Fertilize and reseed all areas of the dike slopes where an adequate vegetative cover has not been established with type 6, mixture E, in accordance with sections 180 and 182 of the T-1 Specifications.
- 3. Repair any earthfill dike slope erosion that may occur prior to the establishment of an adequate vegetative cover.
- 4. Repair badly eroded areas of the divider dike slopes.

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Attachments

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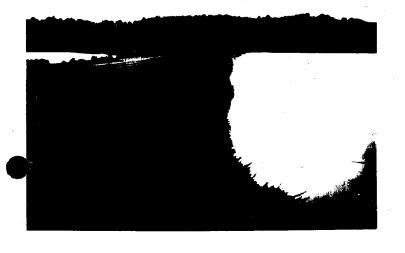




Wet area at toe of slope of East dike adjacent to stilling pool.

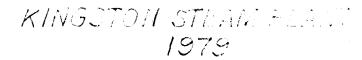


Exterior slope of East Dike. Note excellent vegetative cover.



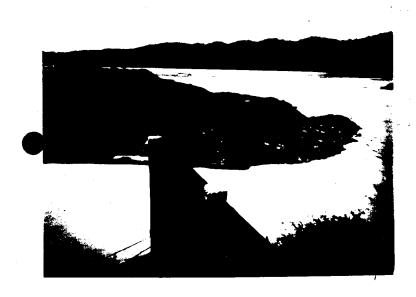
Interior slope of East dike inside stilling pool area. Note excellent veget stive sover.







Looking into stilling pool area from divider dike. Note flyash slurry on water surface in front of floating skimmer.

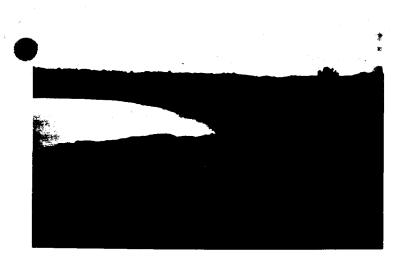


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Looking Northwest along interior slope of East dike from location if abandoned spillways. Note lack of vege tative cover on dike slope in this area.



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Looking North across stilling pool from South dike. Note fly across slurry on water surface around standard spillways.



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Looking into standard epillwij outlets. Note absence of venetative cover on dike singe above spillwij outlets.

