

J.H. CAMPBELL GENERATING FACILITY

POND A HAZARD POTENTIAL CLASSIFICATION ASSESSMENT REPORT

West Olive, Michigan

Pursuant to 40 CFR 257.73

Submitted To: Consumers Energy Company 1945 W. Parnall Road Jackson, Michigan 49201

Prepared By: Golder Associates Inc. 15851 South US 27, Suite 50 Lansing, Michigan 48906

October 2016

1654923



CERTIFICATION

Professional Engineer Certification Statement [40 CFR 257.73(a)(2)(ii)]

I hereby certify that, having reviewed the attached documentation and being familiar with the provisions of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations Section 257.73 (40 CFR Part 257.73), I attest that this Hazard Potential Classification Assessment Report is accurate and has been prepared in accordance with good engineering practices, including the consideration of applicable industry standards, and with the requirements of 40 CFR Part 257.73.

Golder Associates Inc.

Signature

October 14, 2016

Date of Report Certification

John D Puls, PE

Name

6201055787

Professional Engineer Certification Number







Table of Contents

CERTIFICATION	C-1
Professional Engineer Certification Statement [40 CFR 257.73(a)(2)(ii)]	C-1
1.0 INTRODUCTION	1
2.0 HAZARD POTENTIAL CLASSIFICATION ASSESSMENT DETERMINATION	2
2.1 Dam Break Analysis	2
2.1.1 Dam Breach Hydrograph	2
2.1.2 2D Hydraulic Model	3
2.2 Dam Break Analysis Results	3
2.2.1 Hazard Classification	4
3.0 CONCLUSION AND SUMMARY	5
4.0 REFERENCES	6

List of Tables

 Table 2.1.1
 Dam Embankment and Breach Parameter Summary

List of Figures

Figure 1	Site Location Map
Figure 2	Dam Break Inundation Map



1.0 INTRODUCTION

On April 17, 2015, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued the Coal Combustion Residual (CCR) Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Rule (40 CFR 257 Subpart D) ("CCR RCRA Rule") to regulate the beneficial use and disposal of CCR materials generated at coal-fired electrical power generating complexes. Section 257.73(a)(2) of the CCR RCRA Rule requires the owner or operator of an existing CCR surface impoundment to document the hazard potential classification of each CCR unit as either a high hazard potential CCR surface impoundment, a significant hazard potential CCR surface impoundment, or a low hazard potential CCR surface impoundment. Consequently, the owner or operator must document the basis for each hazard potential classification.

Hazard potential classification means the possible adverse incremental consequences that result from the release of water or stored contents due to failure of the diked CCR surface impoundment or mis-operation of the diked CCR surface impoundment or its appurtenances. The hazard potential classifications include high hazard potential CCR surface impoundment, significant hazard potential CCR surface impoundment, and low hazard potential CCR surface impoundment, which terms mean:

- <u>High hazard potential CCR surface impoundment</u> means a diked surfaced impoundment where failure or mis-operation will probably cause loss of human life.
- Significant hazard potential CCR surface impoundment means a diked surface impoundment where failure or mis-operation results in no probable loss of human life but can cause economic loss, environmental damage, disruption of lifeline facilities, or impact other concerns.
- Low hazard potential CCR surface impoundment means a diked surface impoundment where failure or mis-operation results in no probable loss of human life and low economic and/or environmental losses. Losses are principally limited to the surface impoundment owner's property.

According to 257.73(a)(2)(ii), the hazard classification potential assessment must be certified by a qualified professional engineer (QPE) stating that the initial hazard potential classification and each subsequent periodic classification were conducted in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 257.73. Golder Associates Inc. (Golder) is submitting this Hazard Potential Classification Assessment Report (Report) to certify a <u>significant hazard</u> potential classification for the Pond A CCR surface impoundment (Pond A) at the Consumers Energy Company (CEC) J.H. Campbell Generating Facility (JH Campbell) near West Olive, Michigan per 40 CFR Part 257.73(a)(2).



2.0 HAZARD POTENTIAL CLASSIFICATION ASSESSMENT DETERMINATION

Pond A is an existing CCR surface impoundment at JH Campbell (Figure 1). Pond A is located along the southern end of the JH Campbell ash disposal area. Pigeon River is located approximately 2,000 feet south of the pond.

2.1 Dam Break Analysis

A dam break analysis was conducted for the identification of potential hazards. The dam break analysis followed a two-step process. First, the dam breach hydrograph was estimated using empirical methods. Then, the breach hydrograph was routed using a 2D hydraulic model.

2.1.1 Dam Breach Hydrograph

Dam breach parameters including the volume of material eroded and failure time (from inception to completion of breach) were estimated based on the MacDonald and Langridge-Monopolis (1984) empirical equations as presented in Prediction of Embankment Dam Breach Parameters (Wahl 1998). These parameters are both a function of the storage volume and height of the dam. From these parameters, the final breach dimensions were estimated based on the geometry of the dam and assumed side slope of breach.

Breach hydrographs were developed using level-pool routing techniques in a spreadsheet based on the above estimated breach parameters, a linear breach growth and stage-storage relationships.

Stage-storage curves were based on a topographic survey by Engineering and Environmental Solutions, LLC (May 2016). The water levels were set at the inflow design flood level as reported in the J.H. Campbell Generating Facility Pond A, Inflow Design Flood Control System Plan (Golder 2016). Table 2.1.1 summarizes the basic dimensions and estimated breach parameters of the impoundment.

Parameter	Pond A
Crest elevation ¹ (ft)	624.4
Water level at dam breach – 1000-year event (ft)	617.90
Base elevation of breach (ft)	598.0
Height differential between begin water level and bottom of breach level (ft)	19.90
Dam Break Volume (ac-ft)	99.9
Peak discharge (cfs)	2276
Breach development time (min)	16

Notes: ¹Elevations are in NGVD29



2.1.2 2D Hydraulic Model

Dam break flood routing was conducted using TUFLOW, a hydraulic model that solves the full 2D shallow water equations. The following are components of the hydraulic model:

- Digital Elevation Model (DEM) A DEM for the hydraulic model was created by mosaicking three data sources using ArcGIS with NGVD29 as the vertical datum. The three data sources included:
 - Site topo An AutoCAD file with one-foot contour lines of the site based on a topographic survey by Engineering and Environmental Solutions, LLC (May 2016).
 - Topo outside site boundary A 30-foot DEM file downloaded from the United States Geologic Survey (USGS) National Elevation Dataset (NED). Note that this was in the NAVD88 datum and left uncorrected because the model did not extend into this portion of the DEM. It was included only for visualization of the surrounding topography. For reference, NAVD88 = NGVD29 + 0.495 feet.
 - Bathymetry of Lake Michigan, Pigeon Lake, and Pigeon River A new bathymetry surface created by first drawing a 3D polyline around the edge of the water as the surface boundary [elevation 580 feet (NGVD29)]. A channel thalweg and lake bottom were then drawn as 3D polylines. The thalweg and lake bottom polylines were lowered below the water surface by 5 feet in the upper part the Pigeon River, 10 feet in the Pigeon Lake, and 20 feet in Lake Michigan.
- <u>2D Grid Extents</u> The hydraulic model's 2D grid extends from Lake Michigan up through JH Campbell and ending at the edge of the ponds. The 2D extents were set to minimize the number of dry cells.
- Cell Size and Time Step The model was run with a cell size of 12-feet-by-12-feet and a 2-second time step.
- <u>Manning's n-values</u> Forested areas and waterbodies were digitized based on aerial photography. Manning's n-values were set as follows:
 - Forest: n = 0.100
 - Waterbodies: n = 0.030
 - All other areas: n = 0.040
- <u>Culverts</u> Four culverts were included in the model as 1D elements. These culverts connect a collection ditch around the north, west, and south ends of the ash disposal area.
- Outlet Boundary Condition The outlet boundary condition was set as a constant head of 580 feet (approximately mean lake level) (NGVD29). The boundary condition is located on the edge of the 2D grid, where Lakeshore Drive crosses over Pigeon Lake.
- Inflow Boundary Condition The inflow boundary condition is the dam breach hydrograph. It was positioned on the edge of the 2D grid, at the southern edge of the impoundment embankment.

2.2 Dam Break Analysis Results

The resulting dam break inundation map is presented in Figure 2. Flooding caused by a potential dam break at Pond A spreads east and west along a perimeter ditch on the south side of Pond A. The flood wave overtops the perimeter ditch in several locations and drains to the south into the Pigeon River. Resulting water depths in the drainage system are up to six-feet-deep. The overland flow is generally less than one-foot-deep. Approximately 100 acre-feet of the flood wave reaches the Pigeon River.





Pigeon River (upstream of Lakeshore Drive bridge) rises approximately 0.12 feet due to a potential dam break of Pond A.

2.2.1 Hazard Classification

If a release of stored water due to failure or mis-operation were to occur, the dam break analysis predicts that water and/or stored content would discharge into the Pigeon River and Pigeon Lake waterbodies. No probable loss of human life, economic loss, or disruption of lifeline facilities are expected during this scenario; however, environmental impacts/damages may not be limited to the surface impoundment owner's property based only on the results from the dam break analysis. As a result, the Pond A surface impoundment at JH Campbell has been rated a significant hazard potential classification.



3.0 CONCLUSION AND SUMMARY

Pond A at JH Campbell has been rated a <u>significant hazard</u> potential classification as a dike failure or misoperation would result in no probable loss of human life, but could cause environmental damage that would not be limited to the surface impoundment owner's property. The significant hazard potential classification was determined based on failure or mis-operation of the pond will result in a flood wave propagation from the existing CCR surface impoundment into Pigeon River and Pigeon Lake and potentially release CCR into these waterbodies.

Significant hazard potential classification assessments for existing CCR surface impoundments provide the design inflow criterion of the 1000-year flood event in the inflow design flood control system and the structural stability assessment required in 40 CFR 257.82 and 40 CFR 257.73, respectively. Consequently, it also requires that an emergency action plan be developed as required in 40 CFR 257.73.

This initial hazard potential classification certification must be placed in the facility's operating record in accordance with 257.105(f) and must be made available on the facility's publicly accessible internet site in accordance with 257.107(f).

Sincerely,

GOLDER ASSOCIATES INC.

Sect Storeman

Scott Stoneman, P.E. Senior Water/Civil Engineer

All

John Puls, P.E. Senior Engineer



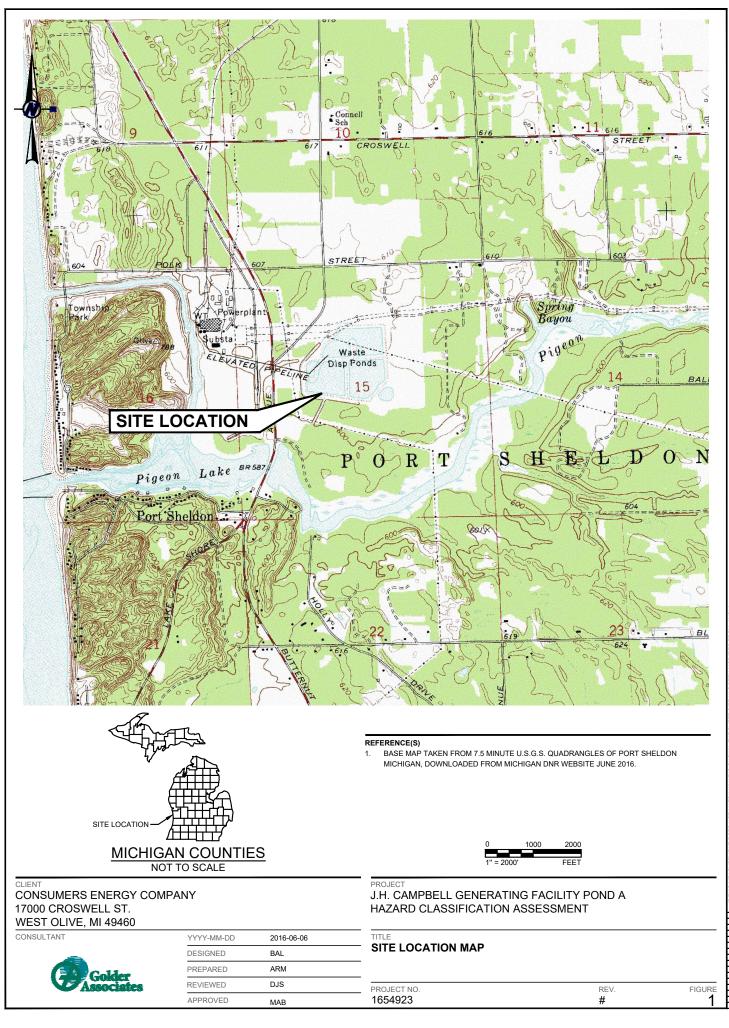


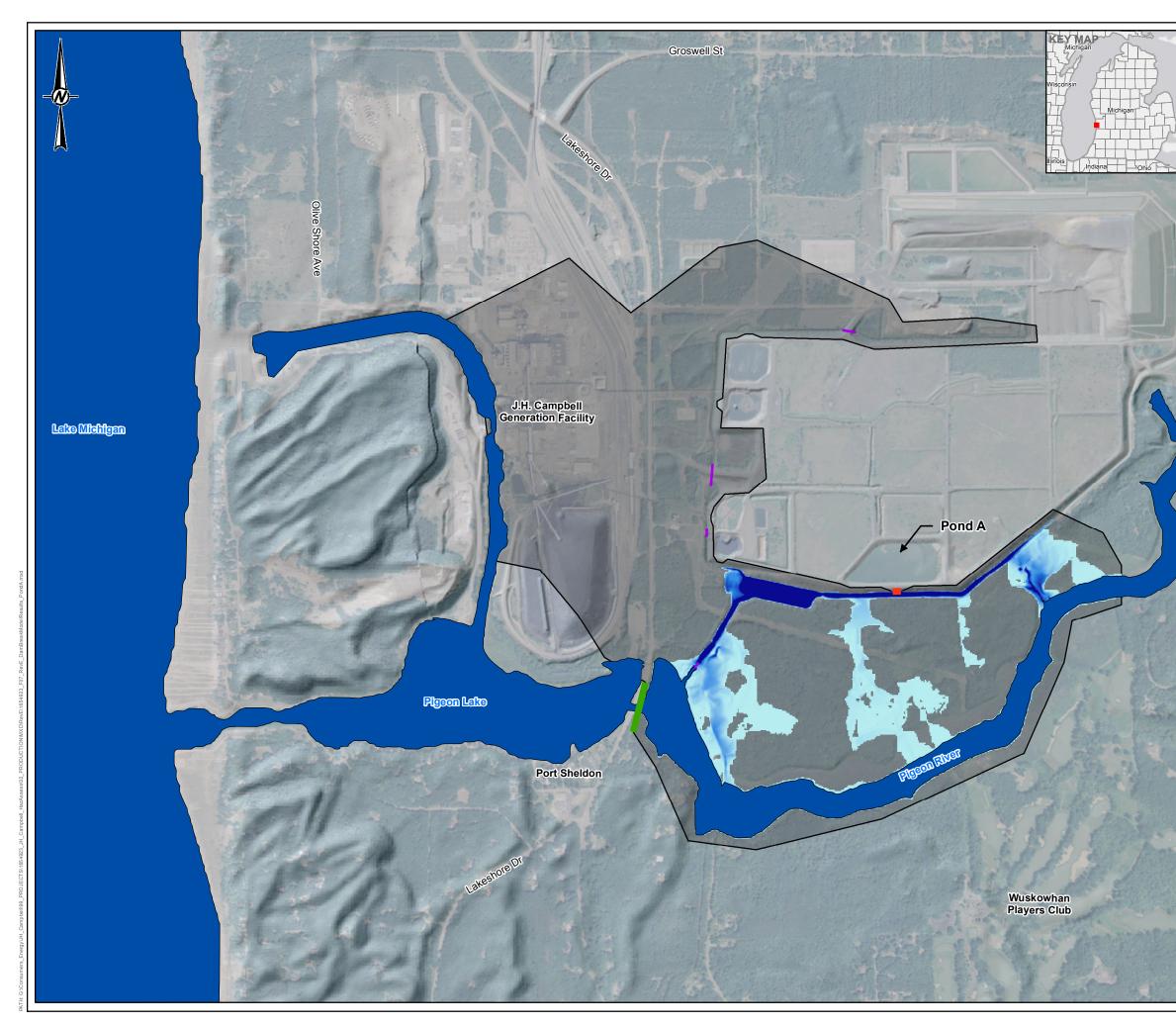
4.0 **REFERENCES**

- Golder Associates. 2016. J.H. Campbell Generating Facility Pond A, Inflow Design Flood Control System Plan.
- Graham, Wayne J. 1999. A Procedure for Estimating Loss of Life Caused by Dam Failure. DSO-99-06. US Department of Interior Bureau of Reclamation, Dam Safety Office.
- MacDonald, Thomas C., and Jennifer Langridge-Monopolis. 1984. Breaching Characteristics of Dam Failures. Journal of Hydraulic Engineering, vol. 110, no. 5, p. 567-586.
- USEPA (Environmental Protection Agency). 2015. Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electric Utilities; Final Rule. 40 CFR Part 257. Effective Date October 19, 2015.
- Wahl, Tony L. 1998. Prediction of Embankment Dam Breach Parameters A Literature Review and Needs Assessment. DSO-98-004. US Department of Interior. Bureau of Reclamation, Dam Safety Office.



FIGURES





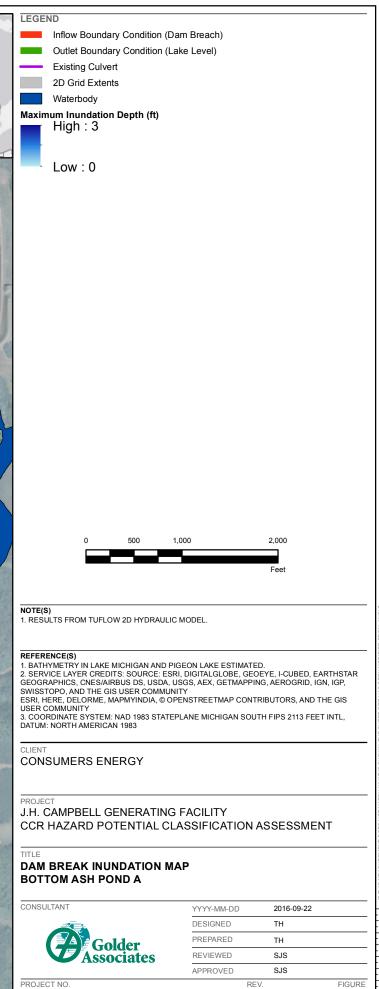


FIGURE REV. E 2

Established in 1960, Golder Associates is a global, employee-owned organization that helps clients find sustainable solutions to the challenges of finite resources, energy and water supply and management, waste management, urbanization, and climate change. We provide a wide range of independent consulting, design, and construction services in our specialist areas of earth, environment, and energy. By building strong relationships and meeting the needs of clients, our people have created one of the most trusted professional services organizations in the world.

- Africa Asia Australasia Europe North America South America
- + 27 11 254 4800
- + 852 2562 3658
- + 61 3 8862 3500
- + 356 21 42 30 20
- + 1 800 275 3281
- + 56 2 2616 2000

solutions@golder.com www.golder.com

Golder Associates Inc. 15851 South U.S. 27, Suite 50 Lansing, MI 48906 USA Tel: (517) 482-2262 Fax: (517) 482-2460



Engineering Earth's Development, Preserving Earth's Integrity