



# Eagle Valley Generating Station Surface Impoundment Closure Fact Sheet

## Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) Closure Plan

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### Background

- The Eagle Valley Generating Station (EVGS) is owned by the Indianapolis Power & Light Company (IPL). It is located at 4040 Blue Bluff Road, Martinsville.
- The facility operated coal-fired electric generating units from 1949 until their shutdown in April 2016 for replacement by a new natural gas electric generating station. The coal-fired units produced coal combustion residuals (CCR) in the form of fly ash and bottom ash.
- These CCR materials were sent for treatment to the station's Ash Pond System, which consists of Ponds A, B, C, D, and E.
- IPL is proposing to cover and close the ponds in place, after which they will be subject to post-closure requirements.
- Additional details about the closure may be found in the following documents in IDEM's Virtual File Cabinet: the original closure/post plans submitted July 28, 2016 (VFC #[80330362](#)), along with additional information dated January 26, 2017 (VFC #[80414159](#)), June 5, 2017 (VFC #[80470611](#)), February 8, 2018 (VFC #[80608674](#)), October 30, 2018 (VFC #[82643727](#)), March 19, 2019 (VFC #[82730799](#)), June 5, 2019 (VFC #[82791293](#)), July 24, 2019 (VFC #[82815218](#)), February 25, 2020 (VFC #[82928191](#)), and November 4, 2020 (VFC #[83066683](#))
- IPL held a virtual public meeting regarding the closure/post-closure plans for December 9, 2020 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM Eastern Standard Time, which is the second public meeting regarding these closure/post-closure plans. The first public meeting was held November 3, 2016. Any previously submitted comments do not need to be resubmitted.
- The original deadline for submitting comments was January 8, 2020, but it has been extended to **February 7, 2020**.
- Please contact Nysa Hogue at IPL at (317) 966-3113 or [nysa.hogue@aes.com](mailto:nysa.hogue@aes.com) for further information about the meeting.

### IDEM's Role

- IDEM is responsible for protecting human health and the environment while providing for safe industrial, agricultural, commercial, and governmental operations vital to a prosperous economy.
- IDEM's Office of Land Quality is responsible for reviewing closure plans for the CCR surface impoundments. Engineers and geologists evaluate design drawings and operating plans to ensure they meet or exceed the rule requirements before granting an approval or modifications to an approval.
- In addition to issuing approvals that comply with federal and state environmental regulations designed to protect public health and the environment, IDEM is also responsible for overseeing permitted activities and monitoring compliance at permitted facilities.
- IDEM will ensure all submitted materials related to the surface impoundment closure plan are publicly available through IDEM's Virtual File Cabinet (VFC)

## **Citizen's Role**

- You can review the application and related correspondence online at IDEM's Virtual File Cabinet (VFC) web site using the following steps:
  - Go to <https://vfc.idem.in.gov/DocumentSearch.aspx>, which is the VFC's "Document Search" page.
  - Once there, click on the **Alternate Field** dropdown menu.
  - Select **Solid Waste (SW) Program ID**.
  - Enter the SW Program ID, **55-UP-03** in the **ID #** box to the right of the **Alternate Field** menu.
  - Click the **I'm not a robot** checkbox and wait until a green checkmark appears.
  - Click the **Search** button, which produces one or more links to the documents for this facility below a map of its location.
  - To find and review the permit decision, click the highlighted numbers in the **Doc #** column to view individual documents.
  - Click on the **1 out of y Pages** dropdown menu to view additional pages with document links.
- Comments may be mailed to John Hale, the Solid Waste Permit Manager assigned to this facility, at the following address:

**John Hale, Permit Manager  
Indiana Department of Environmental Management  
Office of Land Quality  
Solid Waste Permits  
IGCN 1101  
100 North Senate Avenue  
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2251**

However, due to the limitations that still could be posed by the COVID-19 pandemic for handling paper submittals of comments, emailed comments are preferred. Comments may be emailed to Mr. Hale at [jhale@idem.IN.gov](mailto:jhale@idem.IN.gov).

- All comments must be submitted by **February 7, 2021**.
- When IDEM makes a final decision about the CCR surface impoundments closure plan, a Notice of Decision will be mailed to landowners within one mile of the facility and individuals who submitted comments or requested notification.

## **Additional Information**

- You can direct questions to Mr. Hale at his email above or by phone at (317) 232-8871.
- For more information about activities managed through the IDEM Solid Waste Permits Section, please visit IDEM's website at <https://www.in.gov/idem/landquality/2355.htm>.