

February 14, 2011

Craig Zeller, EPA
Barbara Scott, TDEC

RE: Concurrence for Completion of On River Cenosphere Recovery

A meeting was held on June 23, 2010 with TDEC, EPA and TVA to redefine the scope of the Cenosphere Recovery Program. It was agreed that a review would be held at the end of December 2010 to determine if it is reasonable to continue recovery of cenospheres. Since July of 2010 the cenosphere recovery team has been documenting observations related to the presence of cenospheres on the river system. The observations have been compiled into a weekly report. Cenosphere levels have dropped to "No" observations throughout the monitored river system. Since the end of July 2010, only three observations of cenospheres have been documented. The observations were in the Clinch River and cenospheres levels were observed as "Very Light". The observations correlated with a heavy rain event which quickly raised the winter pool level about 3 feet. Cenosphere observation levels in these areas returned to "No" observations five days later. In addition to no cenospheres being observed, there has only been one outreach call which has required response. The call was unrelated to cenospheres and resulted in no action required.

TVA is requesting concurrence from EPA and TDEC that cenospheres released to the river system during the spill have been recovered to acceptable levels and no further action related to the observation or recovery of cenospheres on the rivers is required. Equipment and personnel related to river monitoring and quick response will be demobilized. TVA will continue to control cenospheres generated from plant actives and will maintain a phone line for resident calls. Resident reports related to cenospheres will be responded to as before with observations being documented in the established outreach data base. If reports require a response, we will utilize our onsite crews to address the issue.

Sincerely,



Kathryn Nash
TVA Kingston Ash Recovery

Concurrence:



Craig Zeller, EPA

2/23/11
Date



Barbara Scott, TDEC

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Date