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Dan Kemp Associate General Counsel Progress Energy Service Company, LLC 410 South Wilmington Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

SUBJ: Carolina Power & Light Company d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc. Docket No. CWA-04-2010-5136(b)

Dear Mr. Kemp:

Enclosed please find a fully executed Consent Agreement and Final Order (CA/FO) issued pursuant to Section 311(b)(6)(B)(i) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(6)(B)(i), as amended by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990.

Please Note: According to Paragraph 12 of this CA/FO, no later than 30 days after the effective date of this CA/FO, the penalty of \$2,442.00 is due.

Thank you for your assistance in the resolution of this matter. Please feel free to contact me at (404) 562-8976, or contact Nancy McKee at (404) 562-8674, if you have any additional questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Caroline Y. F. Robinson, Chief

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RCRA and OPA Enforcement and Compliance Branch

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 4

IN THE MATTER OF Carolina Power & Light Company)	CWA SECTION 311 CLASS I CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER	BUMAY 12 F	
d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc. 410 Wilmington Street)	UNDER 40 C.F.R. § 22.13(b)	ii 2:	بر ما د ما د ما
Raleigh, North Carolina 27601 Respondent)	Docket No.: CWA-04-2010-5136(0)	
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This Consent Agreement is proposed and entered into under the authority vested in the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") by Section 311(b)(6)(B)(i) of the Clean Water Act ("Act"), 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(6)(B)(i), as amended by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, and under the authority provided by 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.13(b) and 22.18(b)(2). The Administrator has delegated these authorities to the Regional Administrator of EPA, Region 4, who has in turn delegated these authorities through the Director, RCRA Division, to the Chief, RCRA and OPA Enforcement and Compliance Branch, RCRA Division, of EPA Region 4, pursuant to Clean Water Act delegation 2-52-A ("Complainant").

CONSENT AGREEMENT

Stipulations

The parties, in their own capacity or by their attorneys or other authorized representatives, hereby stipulate:

Respondent, Carolina Power & Light Company d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas,
 Inc., is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of North Carolina. The Respondent is

- a person within the meaning of Sections 311(a)(7) and 502(5) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1321(a)(7) and 1362(5).
- 2. The Respondent was at all times relevant to the Consent Agreement the owner or operator within the meaning of Section 311(a)(6) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(a)(6), of the Brunswick Steam Electric Plant, located in Brunswick County, Southport, North Carolina (the facility).
- 3. The facility is an onshore facility within the meaning of Section 311(a)(10) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(a)(10).
- 4. The fish recovery pond, which is hydraulically connected to Gum Log Branch, a tributary of Nancy's Creek, which flows to the Atlantic Ocean, is a navigable water as defined in Section 502(7) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1362(7), and 40 C.F.R. § 110.1 or an adjoining shoreline and is subject to the jurisdiction of Section 311 of the Act.
- 5. Section 311(b)(3) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(3), prohibits the discharge of hazardous substances into or upon the navigable waters of the United States or adjoining shorelines in such quantities that have been determined may be harmful to the public health or welfare or environment of the United States.
- 6. For purposes of Section 311(b)(3) and (b)(4) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(3) and (b)(4), discharges of hazardous substances into or upon the navigable waters of the United States in such quantities that have been determined may be harmful to the public health or welfare or the environment are defined in 40 C.F.R. § 117.1 to include those discharges that exceed reportable quantities as set forth in 40 C.F.R. § 117.3.

 Solely for purposes of this Consent Agreement and Final Order, Respondent admits the jurisdictional statements contained herein.

Allegations

Complainant alleges, and Respondent neither admits nor denies, that:

- 8. On October 5, 2007, approximately 390 gallons or 6.2 reportable quantities of sodium hypochlorite, a hazardous substance as defined in Section 311(a)(14) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(a)(1), and 40 C.F.R. § 116.4, discharged and approximately 200 gallons or 3.2 reportable quantities entered the fish return system which discharges to the fish recovery pond at the facility.
- 9. Respondent's October 5, 2007, discharge of sodium hypochlorite from its facility into or upon the fish recovery pond exceeded the respective reportable quantity and, therefore, was in a quantity that has been determined may be harmful under 40 C.F.R §§ 117.1 and 117.3, in violation of Section 311(b)(3) of the Act.

Waiver of Rights

10. Respondent waives the right to contest the allegations contained herein, to a hearing under Section 311(b)(6)(B)(i) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(6)(B)(i), and to appeal any Final Order in this matter under Section 311(b)(6)(G)(i) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(6)(G)(i), and consents to the issuance of a Final Order without further adjudication.

Penalty

11. The Complainant proposes, and Respondent consents, to the assessment of a civil penalty of Two Thousand, Four Hundred Forty-Two Dollars (\$2,442.00).

Payment Terms

Based on the foregoing, the parties, in their own capacity or by their attorneys or authorized representatives, hereby agree that:

12. No later than 30 days after the effective date of the Final Order, the Respondent shall pay the amount of Two Thousand, Four Hundred Forty-Two Dollars (\$2,442.00) by means of a cashier's check, certified check, by electronic funds transfer (EFT), or by Automated Clearhouse (ACH) (also known as REX or remittance express). If paying by check, the check shall be payable to: UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, bearing the notation "OSLTF-311" and the facility name and docket number for this matter shall be referenced on the face of the check. If the Respondent sends payment by the U.S. Postal Service, the payment shall be addressed to:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Fines and Penalties Cincinnati Finance Center P.O. Box 979077 St. Louis, Missouri 63197

If the Respondent sends payment by non-U.S. Postal express mail delivery, the payment shall be sent to:

U.S. Bank
Government Lockbox 979077
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Fines & Penalties 1005 Convention Plaza
SL-MO-C2-GL
St. Louis, Missouri 63101
(314) 418-1028

If paying by EFT, the Respondent shall transfer the payment to:

Federal Reserve Bank of New York

ABA: 021030004

Account Number: 68010727 SWIFT address: FRNYUS33

33 Liberty Street

New York, New York 10045

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If paying by ACH, the Respondent shall remit payment to:

PNC Bank

ABA: 051036706

Account Number: 310006

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U.S. EPA

808 17th Street N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20074

13. Respondent shall submit a copy of the payment to the following addressees:

Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303

And to:

Doug C. McCurry, Chief North Section, RCRA and OPA Enforcement and Compliance Branch RCRA Division U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303

- 14. Penalties paid pursuant to this Consent Agreement and Final Order (CA/FO) are not deductible for federal purposes under 26 U.S.C. § 162(f).
- 15. Respondent's failure to pay the penalty assessed by the Final Order in full by its due date may subject Respondent to a civil action to collect the assessed penalty, plus interest,

attorney's fees, costs and an additional quarterly nonpayment penalty pursuant to Section 311(b)(6)(H) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(6)(H). In any such collection action, the validity, amount and appropriateness of the penalty agreed to herein shall not be subject to review.

General Provisions

- 16. The Final Order shall be binding upon Respondent and Respondent's officers, directors, agents, servants, employees, and successors or assigns.
- 17. The Final Order does not constitute a waiver, suspension or modification of the requirements of Section 311 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321, or any regulations promulgated thereunder, and does not affect the right of the Administrator or the United States to pursue any applicable injunctive or other equitable relief or criminal sanctions for any violation of law. Payment of the penalty pursuant to this Consent Agreement resolves only Respondent's liability for federal civil penalties for the violations and facts stipulated to and alleged herein.
- 18. The undersigned representative of Respondent hereby certifies that he is fully authorized to enter into and execute this Consent Agreement and to legally bind Respondent to the terms and conditions of this Consent Agreement and the attached Final Order.
- 19. A copy of any documents that Respondent files in this action shall be sent to the following attorney who represents EPA in this matter and who is authorized to receive service for EPA in the proceeding:

Bonnie Sawyer Associate Regional Counsel U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303 (404) 562-9539 Progress Energy Service Company, LLC 410 South Wilmington Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27601 (919) 546-5802

Effective Date

21. This Consent Agreement and attached Final Order is effective upon the filing of the Final Order with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

CONSENTED AND AGREED TO:

Carolina Power & Light Company d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc.

Date: 4/29/10 Michael J. Annacone

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Date: 5/10/10 Caroline y. J. Robinson

Caroline Y. F. Robinson, Chief

RCRA and OPA Enforcement and Compliance Branch RCRA Division

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Raleigh, North Carolina 27601)	
•)	
Respondent)	Docket No.: CWA-04-2010-5136(b)
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FINAL ORDER

The foregoing Consent Agreement is hereby approved, ratified and incorporated by reference into this Final Order in accordance with the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and the Revocation/Termination or Suspension of Permits, 40 C.F.R. Part 22. The Respondent is hereby ORDERED to comply with all of the terms of the foregoing Consent Agreement effective immediately upon filing of this Consent Agreement and Final Order with the Regional Hearing Clerk. This Order disposes of this matter pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.18 and 22.31.

BY:

Susan Schub

Regional Judicial Officer

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4

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In the Matter of Carolina Power & Light Company d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc.

Docket Number: CWA-04-2010-5136(b)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this day I filed the foregoing Consent Agreement and the attached Final Order (CA/FO), in the Matter of Carolina Power & Light Company d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc., Docket Number: CWA-04-2010-5136(b), and that on this day I served a true and correct copy of the CA/FO on the parties listed below in the manner indicated:

Dan Kemp Associate General Counsel Progress Energy Service Company, LLC

410 S. Wilmington Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

Bonnie Sawyer, Associate Regional Counsel U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303 404-562-9539 Via EPA's Internal Mail

Via Certified Mail - Return Receipt Requested

Georgina Fuller, Administrative Assistant U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, S.W.

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

404-562-8694

Via EPA's Internal Mail

Nancy McKee, Environmental Scientist U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303 404-562-8674

Dated this $\frac{12}{2}$ day of $\frac{1}{12}$, 2010

Patricia A. Bullock, Regional Hearing Clerk

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303

(404) 562-9511

Via EPA's Internal Mail