## JUSTIFICATION FOR REMISSION REQUEST

Case Number: <u>LV-2015-0035</u> County: <u>New Hanover</u>

Assessed Party: <u>Duke Energy Progress - L.V. Sutton Electric Plant</u>

Permit No.: NC0001422 Amount assessed: \$25,116,883.61

Please use this form when requesting remission of this civil penalty. You must also complete the "Request For Remission, Waiver of Right to an Administrative Hearing, and Stipulation of Facts" form to request remission of this civil penalty. You should attach any documents that you believe support your request and are necessary for the Director to consider in determining your request for remission. Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. By law [NCGS 133-215.6A(f)] remission of a civil penalty may be granted when one or more of the following five factors applies. Please check each factor that you believe applies to your case and provide a detailed explanation, including copies of supporting documents, as to why the factor applies (attach additional pages as needed).

- (a) one or more of the civil penalty assessment factors in NCGS 143B-282.1(b) were wrongfully applied to the detriment of the petitioner (the assessment factors are included in the attached penalty matrix and/or listed in the civil penalty assessment document);
- \_\_\_ (b) the violator promptly abated continuing environmental damage resulting from the violation (i.e., explain the steps that you took to correct the violation and prevent future occurrences);
- (c) the violation was inadvertent or a result of an accident (i.e., explain why the violation was unavoidable or something you could not prevent or prepare for);
- \_\_\_\_ (d) the violator had not been assessed civil penalties for any previous violations;
- (e) payment of the civil penalty will prevent payment for the remaining necessary remedial actions (i.e., explain how payment of the civil penalty will prevent you from performing the activities necessary to achieve compliance).

## **EXPLANATION:**