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RE: Weatherspoon Power Station, Weatherspoon 1979 Ash Pond  
State Dam ID: ROBES-009  
Robeson County  
Lumber River

Dear Sirs:

The information received in this office on July 31, 2014 regarding the Emergency Action Plan (EAP) for the Weatherspoon 1979 Ash Pond has been reviewed. On August 26, 2014, Land Quality Section personnel from this office conducted an inspection of the downstream areas identified in the EAP as inundated areas during a failure. During the inspection, it was confirmed that the structures identified in the EAP are inhabited or inhabitable.

Based on the above-referenced information, our office has determined that a high hazard potential classification is presently warranted.

You may contact this office at telephone number (910) 433-3300 or the Raleigh Central office at (919) 707-9220 if you have questions or if we may be of further assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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