



## Panther Creek Power Operating, LLC

## AIR QUALITY PLAN APPROVAL APPLICATION

for

## Combustion of Tire-Derived Fuel (TDF) as a Supplemental Fuel

in **Two Existing, Permitted** 

## **Circulating Fluidized Bed Combustors**

Located in

## Nesquehoning, PA

For Submittal To

PENNSYVLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AIR QUALITY NORTHEAST REGIONAL OFFICE WILKES-BARRE, PA

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## 1.0 Introduction

#### 1.1 General

This application seeks DEP approval to allow the two existing Panther Creek Power Operating, LLC (Panther Creek) circulating fluidized bed (CFB) combustors (Pyropower Unit #1, Source 031 and Pyropower Unit #2, Source 032), which are both currently permitted to combust culm and No. 2 fuel oil, to also combust tirederived fuel (TDF) as a supplemental fuel up to 15% by weight on a monthly basis. The TDF will be chipped and processed, prior to delivery to Panther Creek, by other non-affiliated parties to meet the definition of a fuel under EPA's Non-Hazardous Secondary Materials Rule (NHSM), as further explained in Section 4.8. While a change in fuel can trigger Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) applicability, the facility operates under a Plantwide Applicability Limit (PAL) permit (13-00003A, issued May 25, 2023) and since the PAL limits will not be exceeded by this modification, PSD is not applicable. Additionally, Best Available Technology (BAT) is not an applicable requirement since this is a modification of an existing source under a PAL permit. (See 25 Pa Code § 127.218.(g)(10)). This application triggers no new regulatory requirements.

## 1.2 Application Organization

There are four sections to the narrative portion of this permit application. These sections consist of the following: 1.0 Introduction, 2.0 Project Description, 3.0 Baseline Air Emissions, and 4.0 PAL Emission Limits. 1.0 describes the proposed project in general terms. Section 2.0 contains a more detailed description of the project for which the plan approval application is being submitted. Section 3.0 discusses the existing PAL limits and confirms continuing compliance with those limits with this issued Plan Approval. Section 4.0 discusses the regulatory implications of the project. Finally, the appendices of this application contain the actual application forms, a General Information Form, a compliance review form, and proof of municipal notice.

## 2.0 **Project Description**

The Panther Creek Energy Facility is an electrical generation facility located in the Borough of Nesquehoning in Carbon County, Pennsylvania. The facility consists of two existing, permitted circulating, fluidized bed (CFB) combustors, each having a rated Heat Input of 600 MMBTU/hr. The facility is permitted, under its existing PAL permit, to burn only coal refuse (anthracite culm) and No. 2 fuel oil as a supplemental fuel used for periods of startup, shutdown and load stabilization. This application seeks approval to combust chipped, tired-derived fuel (TDF) as a supplemental fuel, up to 15% by weight on a monthly basis.

TDF has long been recognized as a valuable fuel in well-controlled power plants, as well as cement plants. In a 1991 report, EPA concluded "Based on the experience and the emissions data from power plants burning tire or TDF, the use of tires and TDF as supplemental fuel is viable. In many cases, the quality of the emissions actually improves with increased use of tires or TDF as supplemental fuel."<sup>1</sup>

Additionally, DEP has permitted the combustion of tires and/or TDF as a supplemental fuel at several facilities in Pennsylvania, including Northampton Generating, Hercules Cement, Lafarge, Lehigh Cement, ESSROC, and Viking Energy.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Environmental Protection Agency. (1991). *Burning Tires for Fuel and Tire Pyrolysis: Air implications*. (EPA 450/3-91-024).

## 3.0 PAL Emission Limits

The Panther Creek facility operates under PAL permit No. 13-00003A. That permit establishes the following plantwide-applicability limits.

# Table 3-1 Plantwide Applicability Limits (Tons per Rolling 12-Months) Panther Creek Facility

Pollutant	Running 12-month PAL Limit (Tons)
$PM_{f}$	113.81
$PM_{10}$	86.12
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	35.55
$SO_2$	603.65
NO <sub>X</sub>	586.85
СО	381.05
Fluorides (not including HF)	3.0
$H_2SO_4$	15.15
Pb	0.03
CO <sub>2</sub> (e)	1,116,217.64

The facility will continue to track all emissions and operate with TDF under the abovelisted PAL limits.

## 4.0 Regulatory Review

#### 4.1 Non-attainment Area Review

The area in which this source is located is in attainment of all NAAQS. However, because it is in the Northeast Ozone Transport Region it is considered a moderate non-attainment area for ozone. Consequently, the application is potentially subject to Non-Attainment New Source Review (NNSR) for NO<sub>X</sub> and VOCs, only.

#### 4.2 Major/Minor Source Review

The facility is a major source for  $SO_2$ , CO, and  $NO_X$ , based on existing federally enforceable permit limits. The facility has significant emissions of PM, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub>, but minor emissions of VOCs, lead, fluorides, and H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>.

#### 4.3 New Source Performance Standards (NSPS)

#### 4.3.1 40 CFR Part 60 Subpart Da - Standards of Performance for Electric Utility Steam Generating Units

The existing boilers are subject to Subpart Da. No modifications to the boiler are required to combust the TDF, and no NSPS pollutant will increase with the TDF fuel, so there are no Subpart Da implications to the use of this alternative fuel.

#### 4.3.2 40 CFR Part 60 Subpart TTTT - Standards of Performance for Greenhouse Gas Emissions for New Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating Units

The Panther Creek boilers are not subject to this rule since it only applies to EGUs that commenced construction, reconstruction, or modification after June 2014. And as described above, no modifications to the boiler are required and no NSPS pollutant emissions will increase with the use of TDF as an alternative fuel.

#### 4.4 New Source Review

The permit application must consider NSR (non-attainment) impacts. As discussed above, the facility is major for  $NO_X$  and minor for VOCs. The applicant proposes restricting emissions to the PAL permit limits to ensure that NSR thresholds are not exceeded.

#### 4.5 *Prevention of Significant Deterioration*

The facility is a major PSD source, but the applicant proposes compliance with PAL limits to remain below PSD major modification applicability thresholds

#### 4.6 Best Available Technology (BAT) Analysis

No new sources are proposed for this application. BAT is not applicable for modifications of existing sources under a PAL permit.

#### 4.7 Maximum Available Control Technology Standards

#### 4.7.1 40 CFR Part 63 Subpart UUUUU - National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Coal- and Oil-Fired Electric Utility Steam Generating Units

The facility is subject to this rule but the current application has no bearing on applicability or compliance.

#### 4.8 Non-Hazardous Secondary Materials (NHSM)

In March 2011, EPA finalized regulations that establish which materials are fuels and which are wastes when used in a combustion process. This is an important rule since waste burning boilers are subject to Clean Air Act Section 129 incinerator rules and fuel-burning boilers are subject to boiler regulations. These regulations are codified at 40 CFR Part 421. EPA has determined that scrap tires that are not discarded and are managed under the oversight of established tire collection programs are not solid wastes when used as fuel in a combustion unit (40 CFR  $\S241.4(a)(1)$ .

Additionally, in the preamble to the final rule, EPA stated that other NHSM materials may be extracted from wastes to produce fuel commodities, and gave several examples, one of which was scrap tires. EPA asserts that these processed scrap tires meet legitimacy criteria.<sup>2</sup> And EPA further states that in the case of waste tires being processed into fuel, waste tires that have been converted to TDF (shredded/chipped, sized, sorted, and with a significant portion of the metal belts or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Non Hazardous Secondary Materials, 76, Fed. Reg. 15492 (Mar 21, 2011) (to be codified at 40 CFR §241)

wire removed, as appropriate for the unit) meet the processing threshold to allow the TDF to be considered a fuel.<sup>3</sup>

Consequently, all TDF combusted at Panther Creek will be a fuel and not a waste under EPA regulations, either because the tires come from managed tire disposal programs or alternatively because they are processed into a legitimate fuel.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ibid., 15499.

# **Panther Creek Power Operating, LLC**

**Appendix A - General Information Form** 

#### COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION FORM – AUTHORIZATION APPLICATION**

Before completing this General Information Form (GIF), read the step-by-step instructions provided in this application package. This form is used by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to inform our programs regarding what other DEP permits or authorizations may be needed for the proposed project or activity. This version of the General Information Form (GIF) must be completed and returned with any program-specific application being submitted to the DEP.

Related ID#s (If Kr		DEP USE ONLY					
Client ID# 43625			Date Received & General Notes				
Site ID# 484644	Auth ID#						
Facility ID# 475620							
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43625 LLC							
Legal Organization Name or Registered	Fictitious Name	E	Employer IDa	# (EIN)	Is the El	N a SSI	N?
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Client Contact Last Name	First Name			MI	S	uffix	
Client Context Title	Matthew	Dhana		J Evt			
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Environmental Manager			Panther Cr	eek Energy		
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Nesquehoning	-		PA	18240		
Phone	Ext	FAX	Email Add	ress		
570.645.8731			cliffheistand	d@panthercre	ekenergy.com	
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#### **FACILITY INFORMATION**

Yes

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No

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#### Modification of Existing Facility

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	Facility Type	DEP Fac ID#		Facility Type	DEP Fac ID#
$\boxtimes$	Air Emission Plant	475620		Industrial Minerals Mining Operation	
	Beneficial Use (water)			Laboratory Location	
	Blasting Operation		$\square$	Land Recycling Cleanup Location	585260
	Captive Hazardous Waste Operation		$\square$	Mine Drainage Treatment / Land Recycling Project Location	475617
$\boxtimes$	Coal Ash Beneficial Use Operation	475617		Municipal Waste Operation	
$\boxtimes$	Coal Mining Operation	475617		Oil & Gas Encroachment Location	-
	Coal Pillar Location			Oil & Gas Location	
	Commercial Hazardous Waste Operation			Oil & Gas Water Poll Control Facility	
	Dam Location			Public Water Supply System	
	Deep Mine Safety Operation -Anthracite			Radiation Facility	
	Deep Mine Safety Operation -Bituminous			Residual Waste Operation	
	Deep Mine Safety Operation -Ind Minerals			Storage Tank Location	
	Encroachment Location (water, wetland)		$\boxtimes$	Water Pollution Control Facility	475617
	Erosion & Sediment Control Facility			Water Resource	
	Explosive Storage Location			Other:	

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Horizontal Collection Method Code	ITPSA					
Reference Point Code	AIRST					
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Data Collection Date	09/13/2012					
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PROJECT INFORMATION							
Project Name							
TDF Permit							
Project Description							
Approval to burn tire-de	erived fuel in boilers						
Project Consultant La	ast Name	First Name		MI		Suffix	
Osman		Fred		Р			
Project Consultant Ti	tle	Consulti	ng Firm				
President		Osman E	nvironmenta	I Solutions	s, LLC		
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4708 Rock Ledge Drive	9						
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Harrisburg		PA		1/110			
Phone	Ext FAX	Email A	Address				
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Time Schedules	Project Milestone	(Optional)					
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of an Enviro	nmental Justice co	ommunity as					
defined by DEP	?						
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2. Have you infor	med the surroundir	ng community	🛛 Yes	s 🗌	No		
prior to subi	mitting the application	ation to the					
Department?							
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Method of notif	ication: Municipal Notic	ce					
3. Have you add	ressed community	concerns that	Yes	s 🗌	No	$\boxtimes$	N/A
were identified	?						
If no, please	briefly describe the com	munity concerns that ha	ve been expre	essed and r	not addresse	ed.	
				5-7			
4. Is your project	funded by state or fe	deral grants?			No		
Note: If "Yes", s	pecify what aspect of the	e project is related to the	e grant and pro	ovide the g	rant source,	contact	person
and grant	expiration date.						
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5. Is this applic	ation for an auth	norization on		$\bowtie$	No		
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#### LAND USE INFORMATION

**<u>Note</u>**: Applicants should submit copies of local land use approvals or other evidence of compliance with local comprehensive plans and zoning ordinances.

1.	Is there an adopted county or multi-county comprehensive plan?		Yes		No
2.	Is there a county stormwater management plan?		Yes		No
3.	Is there an adopted municipal or multi-municipal comprehensive		Yes		No
	plan?				
4.	Is there an adopted county-wide zoning ordinance, municipal zoning		Yes		No
	ordinance or joint municipal zoning ordinance?				
	Note: If the Applicant answers "No" to either Questions 1, 3 or 4, the provisions	of the PA M	PC are no	t appli	cable and the
	Applicant does not need to respond to questions 5 and 6 below.				
	If the Applicant answers "Yes" to questions 1, 3 and 4, the Applicant shou	Ild respond t	o questior	is 5 ar	nd 6 below.
5.	Does the proposed project meet the provisions of the zoning		Yes		No
	ordinance or does the proposed project have zoning approval? If				
	zoning approval has been received, attach documentation.				
6.	Have you attached Municipal and County Land Use Letters for the		Yes		No
	project?				

#### **COORDINATION INFORMATION**

<u>Note</u>: The PA Historical and Museum Commission must be notified of proposed projects in accordance with DEP Technical Guidance Document 012-0700-001 utilizing the <u>Project Review Form</u>.

**If the activity will be a mining project** (i.e., mining of coal or industrial minerals, coal refuse disposal and/or the operation of a coal or industrial minerals preparation/processing facility), respond to questions 1.0 through 2.5 below.

If the activity will not be a mining project, skip questions 1.0 through 2.5 and begin with question 3.0.

1.0	<b>Is this a coal mining project?</b> If "Yes", respond to 1.1-1.6. If "No", skip to Question 2.0.	Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
1.1	Will this coal mining project involve coal preparation/ processing activities in which the total amount of coal prepared/processed will be equal to or greater than 200 tons/day?	Yes		No
1.2	Will this coal mining project involve coal preparation/ processing activities in which the total amount of coal prepared/processed will be greater than 50,000 tons/year?	Yes		No
1.3	Will this coal mining project involve coal preparation/ processing activities in which thermal coal dryers or pneumatic coal cleaners will be used?	Yes		No
1.4	For this coal mining project, will sewage treatment facilities be constructed and treated waste water discharged to surface waters?	Yes		No
1.5	Will this coal mining project involve the construction of a permanent impoundment meeting one or more of the following criteria: (1) a contributory drainage area exceeding 100 acres; (2) a depth of water measured by the upstream toe of the dam at maximum storage elevation exceeding 15 feet; (3) an impounding capacity at maximum storage elevation exceeding 50 acre-feet?	Yes		No
1.6	Will this coal mining project involve underground coal mining to be conducted within 500 feet of an oil or gas well?	Yes		No
2.0	Is this a non-coal (industrial minerals) mining project? If "Yes", respond to 2.1-2.6. If "No", skip to Question 3.0.	Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
2.1	Will this non-coal (industrial minerals) mining project involve the crushing and screening of non-coal minerals other than sand and gravel?	Yes		No
2.2	Will this non-coal (industrial minerals) mining project involve the crushing and/or screening of sand and gravel with the exception of wet sand and gravel operations (screening only) and dry sand and gravel operations with a capacity of less than 150 tons/hour of unconsolidated materials?	Yes		No

2.3	Will this non-coal (industrial minerals) mining project involve the construction, operation and/or modification of a portable non- metallic (i.e., non-coal) minerals processing plant under the authority of the General Permit for Portable Non-metallic Mineral Processing Plants (i.e., BAQ-PGPA/GP-3)?	Yes	No
2.7	treatment facilities be constructed and treated waste water discharged to surface waters?	103	
2.5	Will this non-coal (industrial minerals) mining project involve the construction of a permanent impoundment meeting one or more of the following criteria: (1) a contributory drainage area exceeding 100 acres; (2) a depth of water measured by the upstream toe of the dam at maximum storage elevation exceeding 15 feet; (3) an impounding capacity at maximum storage elevation exceeding 50 acre-feet?	Yes	Νο
3.0	Will your project, activity, or authorization have anything to do with a well related to oil or gas production, have construction within 200 feet of, affect an oil or gas well, involve the waste from such a well, or string power lines above an oil or gas well? If "Yes", respond to 3.1-3.3. If "No", skip to Question 4.0.	Yes	No
3.1	Does the oil- or gas-related project involve any of the following: placement of fill, excavation within or placement of a structure, located in, along, across or projecting into a watercourse, floodway or body of water (including wetlands)?	Yes	No
3.2	Will the oil- or gas-related project involve discharge of industrial wastewater or stormwater to a dry swale, surface water, ground water or an existing sanitary sewer system or storm water system? If "Yes", discuss in <i>Project Description</i> .	Yes	No
3.3	Will the oil- or gas-related project involve the construction and operation of industrial waste treatment facilities?	Yes	No
4.0	Will the project involve a construction activity that results in earth disturbance? If "Yes", specify the total disturbed acreage. 4.0.1 Total Disturbed Acreage	Yes	No
	4.0.2 Will the project discharge or drain to a special protection water (EV or HQ) or an EV wetland?	Yes	No
	4.0.3 Will the project involve a construction activity that results in earth disturbance in the area of the earth disturbance that are contaminated at levels exceeding residential or non-residential medium-specific concentrations (MSCs) in 25 Pa. Code Chapter 250 at residential or non- residential construction sites, respectively?	Yes	No
5.0	Does the project involve any of the following: water obstruction and/or encroachment, wetland impacts, or floodplain project by the Commonwealth/political subdivision or public utility? If "Yes", respond to 5.1-5.7. If "No", skip to Question 6.0.	Yes	No
5.1	Water Obstruction and Encroachment Projects – Does the project involve any of the following: placement of fill, excavation within or placement of a structure, located in, along, across or projecting into a watercourse, floodway or body of water?	Yes	No
5.2	Wetland Impacts – Does the project involve any of the following: placement of fill, excavation within or placement of a structure, located in, along, across or projecting into a wetland?	Yes	No
5.3	Floodplain Projects by the Commonwealth, a Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth or a Public Utility – Does the project involve any of the following: placement of fill, excavation within or placement of a structure, located in, along, across or projecting into a floodplain?	Yes	No
5.4	Is your project an interstate transmission natural gas pipeline?	Yes	No

5.5	Does your project consist of linear construction activities which result in earth disturbance in two or more DEP regions AND three or more counties?		Yes		No
5.6	Does your project utilize Floodplain Restoration as a best management practice for Post Construction Stormwater Management?		Yes		No
5.7	Does your project utilize Class V Gravity / Injection Wells as a best management practice for Post Construction Stormwater Management?		Yes		No
6.0	Will the project involve discharge of construction related stormwater to a dry swale, surface water, ground water or separate storm water system?		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
6.1	Will the project involve discharge of industrial waste stormwater or wastewater from an industrial activity or sewage to a dry swale, surface water, ground water or an existing sanitary sewer system or separate storm water system?		Yes		No
7.0	Will the project involve the construction and operation of industrial waste treatment facilities?		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
8.0	<ul> <li>Will the project involve construction of sewage treatment facilities, sanitary sewers, or sewage pumping stations? If "Yes", indicate estimated proposed flow (gal/day). Also, discuss the sanitary sewer pipe sizes and the number of pumping stations/treatment facilities/name of downstream sewage facilities in the <i>Project Description</i>, where applicable.</li> <li>8.0.1 Estimated Proposed Flow (gal/day)</li> </ul>		Yes		No
9.0	Will the project involve the subdivision of land, or the generation of 800 gpd or more of sewage on an existing parcel of land or the generation of an additional 400 gpd of sewage on an already- developed parcel, or the generation of 800 gpd or more of industrial wastewater that would be discharged to an existing sanitary sewer system?		Yes		No
	<b>9.0.1</b> Was Act 537 sewage facilities planning submitted and approved by DEP? If "Yes" attach the approval letter. Approval required prior to 105/NPDES approval.		Yes		No
10.0	Is this project for the beneficial use of biosolids for land application within Pennsylvania? If "Yes" indicate how much (i.e. gallons or dry tons per year). 10.0.1 Gallons Per Year (residential septage) 10.0.2 Dry Tons Per Year (biosolids)		Yes		No
11.0	Does the project involve construction, modification or removal of a dam? If "Yes", identify the dam. 11.0.1 Dam Name		Yes		No
12.0	Will the project interfere with the flow from, or otherwise impact, adam? If "Yes", identify the dam.12.0.1Dam Name		Yes		No
13.0	Will the project involve operations (excluding during the construction period) that produce air emissions (i.e., NOX, VOC, etc.)?	$\boxtimes$	Yes		No
	<b>13.0.1</b> If "Yes", is the operation subject to the agricultural exemption in 35 P.S. § 4004.1?		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
	<ul> <li>13.0.2 If the answer to 13.0.1 is "No", identify each type of emission followed by the estimated amount of that emission.</li> <li>Enter all types &amp; amounts of All emissions will remain under the line emissions; separate each set with semicolons.</li> </ul>	nits in the	PAL per	mit.	

14.0	Does the project include the construction or modification of a drinking water supply to serve 15 or more connections or 25 or more people, at least 60 days out of the year? If "Yes", check all proposed sub-facilities. 14.0.1 Number of Persons Served		Yes		No
	14.0.2 Number of Employee/Guests				
	14.0.3 Number of Connections				
	14.0.4 Sub-Fac: Distribution System		Yes		No
	14.0.5 Sub-Fac: Water Treatment Plant		Yes		No
	14.0.6 Sub-Fac: Source		Yes		No
	14.0.7 Sub-Fac: Pump Station		Yes		No
	14.0.8 Sub Fac: Transmission Main		Yes		No
	14.0.9 Sub-Fac: Storage Facility		Yes		No
15.0	Will your project include infiltration of storm water or waste water to ground water within one-half mile of a public water supply well,		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
	spring or infiltration gallery?				
16.0	Is your project to be served by an existing public water supply? If	$\boxtimes$	Yes		No
	"Yes", indicate name of supplier and attach letter from supplier stating				
	that it will serve the project.				
	16.0.1 Supplier's Name Borough of Nesquehoning				
	16.0.2 Letter of Approval from Supplier is Attached		Yes		No
17.0	Will this project be served by on-lot drinking water wells?		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
18.0	Will this project involve a new or increased drinking water		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
	withdrawal from a river, stream, spring, lake, well or other water				
	<b>bod(ies)?</b> If "Yes", reference Safe Drinking Water Program.				
	18.0.1 Source Name				
19.0	Will the construction or operation of this project involve treatment,		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
	storage, reuse, or disposal of waste? If "Yes", indicate what type (i.e.,				
	hazardous, municipal (including infectious & chemotherapeutic),				
	residual) and the amount to be treated, stored, re-used or disposed.				
	19.0.1 Type & Amount			<b>N</b>	
20.0	Will your project involve the removal of coal, minerals,		Yes	X	No
	contaminated media, or solid waste as part of any earth disturbance				
21.0	activities?		Vaa		No
21.0	Does your project involve installation of a field constructed		res	Å	NO
	underground storage tank? If Yes, list each Substance & its				
	Lapacity. <u>Note:</u> Applicant may need a Storage rank Site Specific				
	21.0.1 Enter all substances 8				
	21.0.1 Enter all substances &				
	each set with semicolons				
22.0	Does your project involve installation of an aboveground storage		Yes		No
22.0	tank greater than 21 000 gallons canacity at an existing facility?		100		
	"Yes" list each Substance & its Canacity <b>Note:</b> Applicant may need a				
	Storage Tank Site Specific Installation Permit				
	22.0.1 Enter all substances &				
	capacity of each: separate				
	each set with semicolons.				
23.0	Does your project involve installation of a tank greater than		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
	1,100 gallons which will contain a highly hazardous substance as		-		
	defined in DEP's Regulated Substances List, 2570-BK-DEP2724? If				
	"Yes", list each Substance & its Capacity. Note: Applicant may need a				
	Storage Tank Site Specific Installation Permit.				
	23.0.1 Enter all substances &				
	capacity of each; separate				
	each set with semicolons.				

24.0	Does your project invo	olve installation of a storage tank at a new		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No
	facility with a total AS	T capacity greater than 21,000 gallons? If				
	"Yes", list each Substand	e & its Capacity. Note: Applicant may need a				
	Storage Tank Site Specif	ic Installation Permit.				
	24.0.1 Enter all su	ubstances &				
	capacity of e	ach; separate				
	each set with	n semicolons.				
	NOTE. If the project inclu	idea the installation of a regulated storage tenk of	avotom ino	luding dia		morgonov

**NOTE:** If the project includes the installation of a regulated storage tank system, including diesel emergency generator systems, the project may require the use of a Department Certified Tank Handler. For a full list of regulated storage tanks and substances, please go to <u>www.dep.pa.gov</u> search term storage tanks

25.0	Will the intended activity involve the use of a radiation source?	Yes	🛛 No
	CERTIFICATION		

I certify that I have the authority to submit this application on behalf of the applicant named herein and that the information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and information.

For applicants supplying an EIN number: I am applying for a permit or authorization from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). As part of this application, I will provide DEP with an accurate EIN number for the applicant entity. By filing this application with DEP, I hereby authorize DEP to confirm the accuracy of the EIN number provided with the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue. As applicant, I further consent to the Department of Revenue discussing the same with DEP prior to issuance of the Commonwealth permit or authorization.

Asset Manager

Type or Print Name Mathew Cochran

Signature

Title

06/12/2023 Date

# **Panther Creek Power Operating, LLC**

**Appendix B - Plan Approval Application Form** 



#### COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU OF AIR QUALITY

## **COMBUSTION UNIT**

#### Application for Plan Approval to Construct, Modify or Reactivate an Air Contamination Source and/or Install an Air Cleaning Device

This application and the General Information Form (GIF) must be included in the submittal

Before completing this form, read the instructions provided with this form.

Organization Name or Registered Fictitious Name/Facility Name: <u>Panther Creek Power Operating, LLC</u> DEP Client ID# (If Known): <u>43625</u> Type of Review required and Fees: Source which is not subject to NSPS, NESHAPs, MACT, NSR and PSD:	_						
DEP Client ID# (If Known): 43625 Type of Review required and Fees: Source which is not subject to NSPS, NESHAPs, MACT, NSR and PSD:	_						
Type of Review required and Fees: Source which is not subject to NSPS, NESHAPs, MACT, NSR and PSD:							
Source which is not subject to NSPS, NESHAPs, MACT, NSR and PSD:							
Source requiring approval under PSD:							
Applicant's Checklist							
Check the following list to make sure that all the required documents are included.							
General Information Form (GIF)							
Combustion Unit Plan Approval Application							
<b>Compliance Review Form</b> or provide reference of most recently submitted compliance review form for facilities submitting on a periodic basis:							
Proof of County and Municipal Notifications							
Permit Fees							
Addendum A: Source Applicable Requirements (only applicable to existing Title V facility)							
Certification of Truth, Accuracy and Completeness by a Responsible Official							
I, Matthew J. Cochran , certify under penalty of law in 18 Pa. C. S. A. §4904, and							
35 P.S. §4009(b) (2) that based on information and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, the statements and information	on						
in this application are true, accurate and complete.							
(Signature): Date: 06/12/2023	_						
Name (Print): Matthew J. Cochran Title: Asset Manager	—						
OFFICIAL USE ONLY							
Application No. Unit ID Site ID							
DEP Client ID #: APS. ID AUTH. ID							
Date Received Date Assigned Reviewed By							
Date of 1 <sup>st</sup> Technical Deficiency Date of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Technical Deficiency							

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Section B - Combustion Unit Information							
<b>1.</b> Combustion Units: $\square$ Co	oal 🛛 Oil 🗌 Natural G	as Other	: Tire Derived Fu	el (TDF)			
Description: Two existing and permitted CFBs seeking approval to burn TDF							
Manufacturer PyroPower	Model No.		Number of units	;			
Maximum heat input (Btu/hr)	Rated heat input (Btu/hr) 600 MMBTU/hr, each	Typical heat	input (Btu/hr)	Furnace Volume			
Grate Area (if applicable) N/A		Method of fir	ing				
Indicate how combustion air is supplied to boiler ID Fan is used to suspend fuel in boilers							
Indicate the Steam Usage: Steam is used to operate turbine and generate electricity							
Mark and describe soot Cleanin	g Method:						
<ul> <li>i. Air Blown</li> <li>ii. Steam Blown</li> <li>iii. Brushed and Vacuumed</li> <li>iii. Blown</li> <li>iii. Brushed and Vacuumed</li> <li>iii. Brushed and Vacuumed</li> </ul>							
	Maximum Opera	ting sched	ule				
Hours/Day 24	Days/Week D 7 3	Days/Year 65	Hot 876	ırs/Year 0			
Operational restrictions taken or	requested, if any (e.g., bottle	necks or volun	tary restrictions to	o limit potential to emit)			
Capacity (specify units) Per hour	Per dav F	Per week	Per	vear			
				,			
	Typical Operat	ing schedu	le				
Hours/Day 24	Days/Week [] 7 3	Days/Year 65	Hou 876	ırs/Year 0			
Seasonal variations (Months): I	f variations exist, describe the	m.					
Operating using primary fuel: Operating using secondary fuel: Non-operating:	Operating using primary fuel:       From       to         Operating using secondary fuel:       Form       to         Non-operating:       From       to						
Prom to      Specify the primary, secondary and startup fuel. Furnish the details in item 3.     Primary fuel is anthracite culm. Startup fuel is No. 2 oil. This application seeks approval for TDF as a supplemental fuel.							

### Section B - Combustion Unit Information (Continued)

3. Fuel								
	Quantity			% Ash				
Туре	Hourly	Annually	Sulfur	(Weight)	BTU Content			
Oil Number	1440 GPH @	110 X 10 <sup>3</sup> Gal	0.049/ by wt	0.001	19450Btu/Gal. &			
2 Oil Number		X 10 <sup>3</sup>	0.04% by wi	0.001	Btu/Gal &			
On Number	60°F	Gal	% by wt		Lbs./Gal. @ 60 °F			
Oil Number	GPH @	X 10 <sup>3</sup>	,		Btu/Gal. &			
	60°F	Gal	% by wt		Lbs./Gal. @ 60 °F			
Natural Gas		N/ 400	(100		5. (005			
	SCFH	X 10⁰ Gol	gr/100		Btu/SCF			
Gas (other)		Gai	30F					
	SCFH	X 10 <sup>6</sup>	ar/100		Btu/SCF			
		Gal	SCF					
Coal								
Culm		490,600	0.41%	47%	5200-6000 btu			
Other*		70.000 T	00/	50/				
IDF		78,000 Tons	2%	5%	15,000 BTU/Ib			
* Note: Describe and furnish information separately for other fuels in Addendum B.								
4. Burner								
Manufacturer	Model	Number	Type of Atomizatio	n (Steam, air, p	press, mech., rotary cup)			
Number of Burners		Maximum fuel firir	ng rate (all burners)	Normal fue	el firing rate			
If all tomporature a	und viagogity							
II oli, temperature a	ind viscosity.							
Maximum theoretic	al air requirement							
Percent excess air	100% rating							
Turndown ratio								
Combustion module	ation control (on/off	low high fire full o	itamatia manual)	A a a a rib a				
		iow-nign life, full at	utomatic, manual). D	escribe.				
Main burner flame i	anition method (elec	tric spark, auto das	s pilot, hand-held toro	ch. other). Des	cribe.			
	9		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	,,				
5. Nitrogen Oxide	es (NO <sub>x</sub> ) control Op	otions						
Mark and descr	ibe the NO <sub>x</sub> control	options adopted						
Low excess	s air (LEA)	Flue gas	recirculation	Other.				
Over fire ei		Durper of	it of convice					
Over life al		Dumer ou						
Low-NO <sub>x</sub> b	urner	Reburning	g					
Low NO <sub>x</sub> bu	urners with over fire	Flue gas	treatment (SCR /					
air		SNCR)						

#### **Section B - Combustion Unit Information (Continued)**

6. Miscellaneous Information

Describe fly ash reinjection operation N/A

Describe, in detail, the equipment provided to monitor and to record the source(s) operating conditions, which may affect emissions of air contaminants. Show that they are reasonable and adequate.

PCEF has a certified CEMS unit for each boiler. The CEMS equipment consists of 2 MC3 Multi-Component Analyzers, ESC Datalogger / system controllers and a Data Acquisition System. This is a PArt 75 certified system.

Describe each proposed modification to an existing source.

The only modification being requested is to allow combustion of TDF as a supplemental fuel.

Describe how emissions will be minimized especially during start up, shut down, combustion upsets and/or disruptions. Provide emission estimates for start up, shut down and upset conditions. Provide duration of start up and shut down.

Describe in detail with a schematic diagram of the control options adopted for SO<sub>2</sub> (if applicable).

Anticipated milestones:

Expected commencement date of construction/reconstruction: Expected completion date of construction/reconstruction: Anticipated date(s) of start-up:

Upon DEP approval

1. Precontrol Emissi	ions*				
Emission Pata					
LINISSION Rate		Maximum E	Emission Rate		Calculation
Pollutant	Specify Units	Pounds/Hour	Hours/Year	Tons/Year	Estimation Method
PM	Both Boilers	1,962	8760	8,592	Fire
PM <sub>10</sub>	Both Boilers	1,488	8760	6,519	Fire
SOx	Both Boilers	335	8760	1,466	Ap-42 1.2
CO	Both Boilers	69	8760	303	Ap-42 1.2
NOx	Both Boilers	208	8760	910	Ap-42 1.2
VOC	Both Boilers	6	8760	25	Fire
Others: (e.g., HAPs)					
		JNS.			
2. Gas Conditioning					
2. Gas Conditioning Water quenching		Water injection	rate	_GPM	
2. Gas Conditioning Water quenching	YES NO	Water injection	rate Air dilution Y	_GPM ′ES □ NO	
2. Gas Conditioning     Water quenching     Radiation and convection	YES NO	Water injection	rate Air dilution I Y	_GPM ′ES □ NO CFM	
2. Gas Conditioning Water quenching	YES NO	Water injection	Air dilution	_GPM /ES	
2. Gas Conditioning Water quenching Radiation and convectiv Forced draft	YES NO	Water injection	Air dilution	_GPM /ES	] NO
2. Gas Conditioning Water quenching Radiation and convectiv Forced draft Other	YES NO	Water injection	Air dilution Y Air dilution Y If YES, Water cooled duct we	_GPM 'ES	] NO
2. Gas Conditioning Water quenching Radiation and convectiv Forced draft Other Inlet volume	YES NO	Water injection	Air dilution	_GPM 'ES	] NO
2. Gas Conditioning Water quenching Radiation and convectiv Forced draft Other Inlet volume	YES NO on cooling YES YES NO ACFM@	Water injection	Air dilution Y If YES, Water cooled duct we Outlet volume	_GPM 'ES	] NO % Moisture
2. Gas Conditioning Water quenching Radiation and convectiv Forced draft Other Inlet volume Describe the system in	YES NO on cooling YES YES NO YES NO ACFM@	Water injection	Air dilution	_GPM 'ES	] NO % Moisture

### Section C - Air Cleaning Device (Continued)

4. Fabric Collector						
Equipment Specifications						
Manufacturer Brandt			Model No.	⊠ P □ S	Pressurized Design Suction Design	
Number of Compartments		Number of Filters Per	Compartment	Is Ba	aghouse Insulated?	
10		240			🗌 Yes 🛛 No	
Can each compartment be isc	plated for re	pairs and/or filter repla	cement?	2	🛛 Yes 🗌 No	
Are temperature controls prov	ided? (Des	cribe in detail)			Yes No	
Dew point at maximum moistu	ure	Design inlet volume	e <u>150,0</u>	000 SCFM		
Type of Fabric						
Material Nomex		Felted	Membra	ane		
Weight	_oz/sq.yd	🗌 Woven	Others:	List:		
Thickness	in	Felted-Wov	ven			
Fabric permeability (clean) @ ½" water-∆ P CFM/sq.ft.						
Filter dimensions 6.125" Diameter/Width 16' Long						
Effective area per filter <u>24.42</u> Maximum operating temperature (°F) <u>400</u>						
Effective air to cloth ratio     Minimum 3.2:1     Maximum 4.0:1						
Drawing of Fabric Filter A sketch of the fabric filter showing all access doors, catwalks, ladders and exhaust ductwork, location of each pressure and temperature indicator should be attached.						
Operation and Cleaning						
Volume of gases handled		Pressure drop acr	oss collector (in. of	water)	). 6-8	
<u>200,000</u> ACFM <u>350</u> °	F	Describe the equ guage	ipment to be used	to mo	onitor the pressure drop. Delta P	
Type of filter cleaning Manual Cleaning Mechanical Shakers Pneumatic Shakers	for collect	Bag Collapse			Reverse Air Jets Other:	
from oil.	for collecto	or operation, describe	the equipment with	n the c	compressor to provide dry air free	
Cleaning Initiated By	range	Frequency if timer ac	tuated Other Specify			
Does air cleaning device emp	lov hopper	heaters hopper vibrat	ors or hopper level	detecto	ors? If yes, describe	
No						
Describe the warning/alarm system that protects against operation when the unit is not meeting design requirements.						
Emissions Data						
Pollutant		Inlet	Outlet		Removal Efficiency (%)	
PM	1,962 lb/h	r, 2 boilers	16.44 lb/hr, 2 boil	ers	99.2%	
PM-10	1,488 lb/h	r, 2 boilers	13.54 lb/hr, 2 boil	ers	99.1%	

Section C - Air Cleaning Device (Continued)							
8. □ SELECTIVE CATALYTIC REDUCTION (SCR)         ☑ SELECTIVE NON-CATALYTIC REDUCTION (SNCR)         □ NON-SELECTIVE CATALYTIC REDUCTION (NSCR)							
Equipment specifications							
Manufacturer	Туре			Model No			
Ransome							
Design inlet volume (SCFM)	De	sign operating temp	perature (°F)				
150,000		15	00				
Is the system equipped with process controls for proper mixing/control of the reducing agent in gas stream? If yes, give details.							
Attach efficiency and other pe	ertinent information (e.g.,	Ammor	nia, urea slip).				
Operating parameters							
Volume of gases handled (AC	CFM) <u>500,000</u>	@ <u>1500</u>	(°F)				
Operating temperature range	for the SCR/SNCR/NSC	R syste	m (°F)	From	То		
				1400	2000		
Reducing agent used, if any.			Oxidation catalyst used, if any.				
Ammonia			None				
State expected range of usag 0 to 24 gallon/hr	e rate and concentration	) <b>.</b>					
Service life of catalyst			Ammonia slip (pp	m)			
Describe fully with a sketch giving locations of equipment, controls system, important parameters and method of operation.							
Describe the warning/alarm system that protects against operation when unit is not meeting design requirements. High pressure trip; high temperature trip; low pressure warning; tank p[ressure releif valve							
Emissions data		1					
Pollutant		005.4		Removal Eff	iciency (%)		
NUX	910 TPY, 2 boilers	635.1	IPY, 2 bollers	30%			

Section C - Air Cleaning Device (Continued)								
9. Other Control Equipment: Limestone Injection								
Equipment specifications								
Manufacturer		Туре		Model No				
Pyropower		Dry sorbent injection						
Design inlet volume (SCFM	)		Capacity					
			4,172 lb/hr limestone					
Describe pH monitoring and pH adjustment, if any. Injection rate controlled by SO2 CEMs								
Indicate the liquid flow rate N/A Dry injection	and describe e	equipment provid	ed to measure pressure o	frop and flow rate, if any.				
Attach efficiency curve and	or other efficie	ency information						
Attach any additional data i	ncluding auxilia	ary equipment ar	nd operation details to tho	roughly evaluate the control equipment.				
Operating parameters								
Volume of gas handled								
@		°F	% Moisture					
Describe, in detail, importar	nt parameters a	and method of or	peration.					
Powdered limmestone is pneumatically injectred into the combustion chamber. SO2 is cpatured through a chemical reaction witht the calcium n the limestone.								
Describe the warning/alarm	system that p	rotects against o	peration when unit is not i	meeting design requirements.				
Limestone feed is trimmed by the CEMS system based on stack SO2 levels. CEMS data are recorded continuously and maintained for 5 years.								
Emissions data								
Pollutant	Inle	et	Outlet	Removal Efficiency (%)				
SO2	1.56 lb/MMB	TU 0.1	156 lb/MMBTU	90%				

#### Section C - Air Cleaning Device (Continued)

#### 10. Costs

Indicate cost associated	with air cleaning device a	ind its operating cost (attac	ch documentation if nece	essary)				
Device	Direct Cost	Indirect Cost	Total Cost	Operating Cost				

#### 11 MISCELLANEOUS

Describe in detail the removal, handling and disposal of dust, effluent, etc. from the air cleaning device including proposed methods of controlling fugitive emissions.

Ash is beneficially used to reclaim minelands

Attach manufacturer's performance guarantees and/or warranties for each of the major components of the control system (or complete system).

Attach the maintenance schedule for the control equipment and any part of the process equipment that, if in disrepair, would increase air contaminant emissions.

Section D - Additional Information		
Will the construction, modification, etc. of the sources covered by this application increase emiss the facility? If so, describe and quantify. No	sions from oth	er sources at
If this project is subject to any one of the following, attach a demonstration to show compliance w	with applicable	e standards
a. Prevention of Significant Deterioration permit (PSD), 40 CFR Part 52?	🗌 YES	NO NO
b. New Source Review, 25 Pa. Code Chapter 127, Subchapter E?	□ YES	NO NO
c. New Source Performance Standards, 40 CFR Part 60? (If Yes, which subpart) Not an NSPS modification	🛛 YES	□ NO
d. National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPS), 40 CFR Part 61? If Yes, which subpart)	☐ YES	NO NO
e. Maximum Achievable Control Technology (MACT), 40 CFR Part 63? (If Yes, which subpart) <u>UUUUU</u>	🛛 YES	□ NO
Attach a demonstration showing that the emissions from any new source will be the minimum a best available technology (BAT).	ttainable thro	ugh the use of
BAT is not appiicable to a modification of an existing source under a PAL permit		
Provide emission increases and decreases in allowable (or potential) and actual emissions applicable PSD pollutant(s) if the facility is an existing major facility (for PSD purposes)	within the la	st 5 years for
N/A - Facility is under a PAL permit.		

Section E - Compliance Demonstration								
Note: Complete this section if the facility is not a-Title V facility. Title V facilities must complete Addendum A.								
Method of Compliance Type: Check all that apply and complete all appropriate sections below.								
<ul> <li>Monitoring</li> <li>Testing</li> <li>Reporting</li> <li>Recordkeeping</li> <li>Work Practice Standard</li> </ul>								
Monitoring:								
a. Monitoring device type (stack test, CEM etc.):								
b. Monitoring device location:								
c. Describe all parameters being monitored along with the frequency and duration of monitoring each parameter:								
Testing:								
a. Reference Test Method Citation:								
b. Reference Test Method Description:								
Recordkeeping:								
Describe the parameters that will be recorded and the recording frequency:								
Reporting:								
a. Describe the type of information to be reported and the reporting frequency:								
b. Reporting start date:								
Work Practice Standard: Describe each								

	Section F - Flue and Air Contaminant Emission							
1. Estimated Maxim	um Emissions*							
	Maximum emission rate Calculation/							ation/
Pollutant	specify uni	ts	lbs/hr tons/yr.		s/yr.	Estimation Method		n Method
PM	Facility	No lim	its for facility	113.81	PAL Limi		Limit	
PM10	Facility			86.12		PAL Limit		
SOx	Facility			603.65		PAL Limit		
со	Facility			381.05		PAL	Limit	
NOx	Facility			586.85		PAL	Limit	
VOC	Facility			50		Minc	or Source	Limit
Others: ( e.g., HAPs)								
Lead	Facility			0.03		PAL	Limit	
Fluorides (not HF)	Facility			3.0		PAL	Limit	
H2SO4	Facilty			15.15		PAL	_imit	
* These emissions must be calculated based on the requested operating schedule and/or process rate e.g., operating schedule for maximum limits or restricted hours of operation and /or restricted throughput. Describe how the emission values were determined. Attach calculations.								
2. Stack and Exhaus	ster							
Stack Designation/Numl	per S01							
List Source(s) or source 031, 032	ID exhausted to	o this stack:	% c	of flow exhaus	ted to stack: 1	100		
Stack height above grad Grade elevation (ft.) 106	le (ft.) 350 0	Stack 7.6 ft	diameter (ft) o	or Outlet duct	area (sq. ft.)		Weathe	er Cap S 🛛 NO
Distance of discharge to 150	nearest proper	ty line (ft.). Lo	ocate on topo	graphic map.				
Does stack height meet	Good Engineerir	ng Practice (G	EP)?					
If modeling (estimating) and other obstructions.	of ambient air o N/A	quality impact	s is needed, a	attach a site p	olan with build	dings	and their	dimensions
Location of Stack**			Latitude	1		Lor	ngitude	Г
Latitude/Longitude		_			_			
Point of Origin		Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	M F2	inutes	Seconds
Stack Exhaust		40	51	21	75	52		40
Volume 200,000 ACFM Temperature 350 °F Moisture 6 %								
Exhauster (attach fan cu	rves)	in.	of water		HP @	0		RPM.
** If the datum and collection method information and codes differ from those provided on the General Information Form - Authorization Application, provide the additional required by that form on a separate sheet.								

#### **Section G - Attachments**

Number and list all attachments submitted with this application below:

Appendix A -- GIF

Appendix C -- Compliance Review From

Appendix D -- Municipal Notification

# **Panther Creek Power Operating, LLC**

**Appendix C - Compliance Review Form** 





#### COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU OF AIR QUALITY

## AIR POLLUTION CONTROL ACT COMPLIANCE REVIEW FORM

Fully and accu	urately provide the following information, as specified. Attach additional sheets as necessary.						
Type of Com	pliance Review Form Submittal (check all that apply)						
Original	Filing Date of Last Compliance Review Form Filing:						
Amende	d Filing <u>05/23/2023</u>						
Type of Subn	nittal						
New Plai	n Approval L New Operating Permit A Renewal of Operating Permit						
	n of Plan Approval Change of Ownership Periodic Submission (@ 6 mos)						
	SECTION A. GENERAL APPLICATION INFORMATION						
Name of App	licant/Permittee/("applicant")						
(non-corpora	tions-attach documentation of legal name)						
	4 Deprison Bood						
Address	4 Deninison Road						
Telephone	570-645-8731 <b>Taxpayer ID#</b> 45-5062056						
Permit, Plan	Approval or Application ID# 13-00003						
reterione       570-645-8731       raxpayer ID#       45-5062056         Permit, Plan Approval or Application ID#       13-00003         Identify the form of management under which the applicant conducts its business (check appropriate box)       Individual       Syndicate       Government Agency         Individual       Syndicate       Joint Venture         Proprietorship       Fictitious Name       Association         Public Corporation       Partnership       Cother Type of Business, specify below:         Private Corporation       Limited Partnership       LLC         Describe below the type(s) of business activities performed.       Electrical Steam Generating Unit							

#### SECTION B. GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING "APPLICANT"

If applicant is a corporation or a division or other unit of a corporation, provide the names, principal places of business, state of incorporation, and taxpayer ID numbers of all domestic and foreign parent corporations (including the ultimate parent corporation), and all domestic and foreign subsidiary corporations of the ultimate parent corporated or unincorporated) and privately held corporations. (A diagram of corporate relationships may be provided to illustrate corporate relationships.) Attach additional sheets as necessary.

Unit Name	Principal Places of Business	State of Incorporation	Taxpayer ID	Relationship to Applicant
Panther Creek Power Operating, LLC	4 Dennison Road, Nesquehoning, PA 18240	DE	45-5062056	Applicanr
Liberty Bell Funding	Dennison Road, Nesquehoning, PA 18240	DE	1-5147333	Parent of Panther Creek
OpCO	595 Madison AVe, 28 <sup>th</sup> Fl, NY, NY 10022	DE	94-3128347	Parent of Liberty Bell
Falcon Power	2151 Lisbon Rd, Kennerdell, PA 16374	DE	90-0426737	Subsidiary of Liberty
Scrubgrass Reclamation Co, LP		DE	61-1992239	Subsidiary of Falcon

SECTION C. SPECIFIC INFORMATION REGARDING APPLICANT AND ITS "RELATED PARTIES"

Pennsylvania Facilities. List the name and location (mailing address, municipality, county), telephone number, and relationship to applicant (parent, subsidiary or general partner) of applicant and all Related Parties' places of business, and facilities in Pennsylvania. Attach additional sheets as necessary.

Unit Name	Street Address		County and Municipality	Telephone No.	Relationship to Applicant		
Panther Creek	4 Dennison Road,		Carbon/	570-645-	Applicant		
Power Operating	Nesquehoning, PA	18240	Nesquehoning Boro	8731			
Scrubgrass	2151 Lisbon Rd. Ke	nnerdell,	Venango/	814-385-	Related Party		
Generating Plant	PA 16374-3305		Scrubgrass Twp.	6661	-		
Provide the names and business addresses of all general partners of the applicant and parent an subsidiary corporations, if any.							
Name			Business Address				
ОрСо	DpCo 595 Madiso			on AVe, 28th FI, NY, NY 10022			

List the names and business address of persons with overall management responsibility for the process being permitted (i.e. plant manager).

Name	Business Address
Matthew J. Cochran	4 Dennison Road, Nesquehoning, PA 18240

Plan Approvals or Operating Permits. List all plan approvals or operating permits issued by the Department or an approved local air pollution control agency under the APCA to the applicant or related parties that are currently in effect or have been in effect at any time 5 years prior to the date on which this form is notarized. This list shall include the plan approval and operating permit numbers, locations, issuance and expiration dates. Attach additional sheets as necessary.

Air Contamination Source	Plan Approval/ Operating Permit#	Location	Issuance Date	Expiration Date
Panther Creek Fscility	13-00003	Nesquehoning Borough, Carbon County	Nov. 26, 2003	Nov 30, 2008
Scrubgrass Generating Plant	61-00181	Scrubgrass Twp., Venango Co.	July 9, 2018	June 30, 2023
Panther Creek Facility	13-00003A	Nesquehoning Borough, Carbon County	May 25, 2023	May 24, 2033

Compliance Background. (Note: Copies of specific documents, if applicable, must be made available to the Department upon its request.) List all documented conduct of violations or enforcement actions identified by the Department pursuant to the APCA, regulations, terms and conditions of an operating permit or plan approval or order by applicant or any related party, using the following format grouped by source and location in reverse chronological order. Attach additional sheets as necessary. See the definition of "documented conduct" for further clarification. Unless specifically directed by the Department, deviations which have been previously reported to the Department in writing, relating to monitoring and reporting, need not be reported.

Date	Location	Plan Approval/ Operating Permit#	Nature of Documented Conduct	Type of Department Action	Status: Litigation Existing/Continuing or Corrected/Date	Dollar Amount Penalty
	See Attachment 1					\$
						\$
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List all incidents of deviations of the APCA, regulations, terms and conditions of an operating permit or plan approval or order by applicant or any related party, using the following format grouped by source and location in reverse chronological order. This list must include items both currently known and unknown to the Department. Attach additional sheets as necessary. See the definition of "deviations" for further clarification.

Date	Location	Plan Approval/ Operating Permit#	Nature of Deviation	Incident Status: Litigation Existing/Continuing Or Corrected/Date		
None						
<u>CONTINUING OBLIGATION</u> . Applicant is under a continuing obligation to update this form using the Compliance Review Supplemental Form if any additional deviations occur between the date of						

#### VERIFICATION STATEMENT

Subject to the penalties of Title 18 Pa.C.S. Section 4904 and 35 P.S. Section 4009(b)(2), I verify under penalty of law that I am authorized to make this verification on behalf of the Applicant/Permittee. I further verify that the information contained in this Compliance Review Form is true and complete to the best of my belief formed after reasonable inquiry. I further verify that reasonable procedures are in place to ensure that "documented conduct" and "deviations" as defined in 25 Pa Code Section 121.1 are identified and included in the information set forth in this Compliance Review Form.

h r	06/12/2023
Signature	Date
Matthew J. Cochran	
Name (Print or Type)	
Asset Manager	

Title

Date	Location	Permit #	Nature of Documented Conduct	Type of Department Action	Status	Dollar Amount Penalty
2/22/2023	Panther Creek	13-00003	CEMs violations	CEMs review	2/22/2023	
2/22/2023	Panther Creek	13-00003	CEMs violations	CEMs review	2/22/2023	
9/23/2022	Panther Creek	13-00003	Late Emission Fee reporting	NOV	9/28/2022	\$9,345.97
1/30/2020	Panther Creek	13-00003	CEMs violations	CEMs review	1/30/2020	
5/9/2019	Panther Creek	13-00003	CEMs violations	CEMs review	5/9/2019	
1/31/2019	Panther Creek	13-00003	CEMs violations	CEMs review	1/31/2019	
10/26/2018	Panther Creek	13-00003	CEMs violations	CEMs review	10/26/2018	
7/9/2018	Panther Creek	13-00003	CEMs violations	CEMs review	7/9/2018	
9/13/2022	Scrubgrass	61-00181	Opacity	CACP	9/13/2022	
2/16/2022	Scrubgrass	61-00181	Data Availability	CACP	2/16/2022	\$1,212
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2/1/2021	Scrubgrass	61-00181	Opacity	CACP	2/1/2021	
2/1/2021	Scrubgrass	61-00181	SO <sub>2</sub> lb/MMBtu	CACP	2/1/2021	\$1,714
11/2/2020	Scrubgrass	61-00181	NO <sub>X</sub> 30-Day	CACP	11/2/2020	\$1,903
7/18/2019	Scrubgrass	61-00181	Opacity	САСР	7/18/2019	

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# **Panther Creek Power Operating, LLC**

**Appendix D - Municipal Notification** 



June 9, 2023

The Honorable Wayne E. Nothstein, Chairman Carbon County Commissioners P.O Box 129 Jim Thorpe, PA 18229

# **RE:** Panther Creek Operating, LLC -- Plan Approval Application for Combustion of Tire-Derived Fuel

Dear Commissioner Nothstein:

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The Honorable Wayne E. Nothstein RE: Panther Creek Operating, LLC Plan Approval Application for Combustion of Tire-Derived Fuel June 9, 2023 Page 2 of 2

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Sincerely

Fred P. Osman P.E., BCEE, President

cc: Mr. David Bodnar, Director
Carbon County Planning & Development
P.O. Box 210
Jim Thorpe, PA 18229-0210

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June 9, 2023

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