Application filed. A solid waste Tier II permit application has been filed with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).

Applicant: The applicant is Western Farmers Electric Cooperative (WFEC), P.O. Box 429, 701 NE 7th Street, Anadarko, Oklahoma 73005.

Type of permit or permit action being sought: The applicant seeks to obtain a new solid waste permit for its existing coal combustion residual (CCR) surface impoundment at its Hugo Power Station (HPS) facility.

Facility Location: The CCR surface impoundment is located at the HPS facility in Choctaw County, approximately 2.8 miles west, and 1 mile south of the City of Fort Towson on U.S. Highway 70. The surface impoundment is in the NE ¼ of Section 28 and in the NW ¼ of Section 27, Township 6 South, Range 19 East of the Indian Based Meridian, Choctaw County, Oklahoma.

Activities to be regulated if the application is approved: If approved, HPS will continue operation of the CCR impoundment to store bottom ash.

Rules: DEQ will review the application for compliance with the Environmental Quality Code, including the Solid Waste Management Act, Title 27A of Oklahoma Statutes, Section 2-10-101, et seq., and the rules of the DEQ, Oklahoma Administrative Code, Title 252, Chapter 517 “Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electric Utilities” and Chapter 4 “Rules of Practice and Procedure.”

Permitting procedures explained: Opportunities for public comment on this application will begin when notice is given that DEQ has completed its review of the application and has prepared either a draft permit or a draft denial. At that time, written comments may be sent and a public meeting for oral comments may be requested. The application may be reviewed at the locations listed below and may be revised by the applicant as the DEQ review progresses.

Locations where application may be reviewed:

1. Locally at the Choctaw County Public Library, 703 East Jackson Street, Hugo, Oklahoma, 74743 (580) 326-5591.
2. DEQ’s Office of Central Records, located on the 2nd floor of the DEQ building at 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City.

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