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Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20555

Attn: Chris Grimes

Ladies and Gentlemen:

As you are aware, Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) recently filed an application with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission requesting that the operating terms for Plant Hatch Units 1 and 2 be extended for an additional twenty years. I am very supportive of this request, and to let the commission know that in granting this extension would be very favorable to my office and this community.

Plant Hatch has been an integral part of the economy of my city and this area since its construction in the early seventies. Jobs are provided for many of our citizens and is an important part in the economic growth this region has experienced in recent years.

We consider Plant Hatch to be a good neighbor, and feel that we are kept sufficiently informed of plant status and activities. We trust the management of Plant Hatch to operate the plant safely.

Thank you for allowing me to express my opinion as you begin the review process for this application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lewis Parker', written over a horizontal line.

Lewis Parker, Sheriff
Appling County, GA.

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