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Ladies and Gentlemen,

As you are aware, Southern Nuclear Operating Company, a subsidiary of the Southern Company, 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 writing in support of this request, and to inform the commission that granting this extension would be looked upon favorably by my office and this community.

Plant Hatch has been an integral part of the economy of Toombs County and this area since its construction in the early seventies. It provides jobs for many of our citizens and is an important component in the economic growth this region has experienced in recent years.

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

Thank you for taking my thoughts into consideration as you begin the review process for this application.

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Sincerely.

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