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**VOGTLE ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT
TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION CHANGE REQUEST
INCORPORATING THE REVISION TO 10 CFR 50.59 - REVISION 1**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 50.90, Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) submitted a proposed amendment to Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (VEGP) Unit 1 and Unit 2 Technical Specifications (TS) in letter LCV-1483 dated November 16, 2000. The amendment revises TS 5.5.14, "Technical Specification Bases Control Program," to provide consistency with the changes to 10 CFR 50.59 as published in the Federal Register (64 FR 53582) dated October 4, 1999. SNC is submitting a revision to the November 16, 2000 amendment request to incorporate an editorial change (WOG-ED-24) to the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) Technical Specification Task Force (TSTF) Standard Technical Specification Change Traveler, TSTF-364 Revision 0, "Revision to TS Bases Control Program to Incorporate Changes to 10 CFR 50.59."

This minor editorial change replaces the phrase "changes do not involve" with "changes do not require" in TS 5.5.14.b. This change is made to be consistent with the new 10 CFR 50.59 rule.

The basis and the conclusions reached in the significant hazards evaluation provided in the November 16, 2000 submittal remain valid and therefore are not resubmitted.

The proposed Technical Specifications change is provided in the Attachment. In accordance with 10 CFR 50.91(b)(1), a copy of the proposed change has been sent to Mr. L. C. Barrett, Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources.

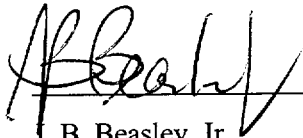
SNC requests that this amendment be approved by February 16, 2001, with an implementation date to correspond with the implementation of the new 10 CFR 50.59 rule.

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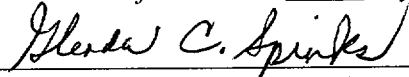
If you have any questions, please advise.

Respectfully submitted,



J. B. Beasley, Jr.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th day of January 2001



Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 11/10/02

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Attachment: Technical Specifications Changed Page List, Mark-up and Typed Pages

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Mr. J. Zeiler, Senior Resident Inspector , Vogtle

Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Mr. L. C. Barrett, Commissioner

Attachment

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VEGP Technical Specifications Changed Page List

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Changed Pages List

<u>Changed Page</u>	<u>Revision Instruction</u>
5.5-18	Replace

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- a. Changes to the Bases of the TS shall be made under appropriate administrative controls and reviews
- b. Licensees may make changes to Bases without prior NRC approval provided the changes do not involve either of the following:
 - 1. a change in the TS incorporated in the license; or
 - 2. a change to the updated FSAR or Bases that involves an unreviewed safety question as defined in 10 CFR 50.59.
- c. The Bases Control Program shall contain provisions to ensure that the Bases are maintained consistent with the FSAR.
- d. Proposed changes that meet the criteria of (b) above shall be reviewed and approved by the NRC prior to implementation. Changes to the Bases implemented without prior NRC approval shall be provided to the NRC on a frequency consistent with 10 CFR 50.71(e).

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