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NRC FINDS NO SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT FROM EXTENDED OPERATION OF VIRGIL C. SUMMER NUCLEAR STATION

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has issued its final environmental impact statement on the proposed renewal of the operating license of the Virgil C. Summer nuclear power plant. In its statement, the NRC found there are no environmental impacts that would preclude license renewal for an additional 20 years of operation.

The V.C. Summer nuclear facility is located 26 miles from Columbia, South Carolina. The current operating license expires on August 6, 2022. South Carolina Electric and Gas Company, the operator of the plant, submitted an application for renewal of the license on August 6, 2002.

As part of its environmental review of the application, the NRC held two public meetings near the plant to discuss the scope of the review and a draft version of the environmental impact statement for the facility. Comments were received from members of the public, local officials and representatives of State and Federal agencies.

Copies of the statement are available electronically on the NRC web site at: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1437/supplement15/index.html> . The report also is available for public inspection at the NRC's Public Document Room, www.pdr.gov , located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, or by calling 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737.

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