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Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant
Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant
Vogtle Electric Generating Plant
Response to Regulatory Issue Summary 2005-19
Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On August 24, 2005, the NRC issued Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2005-19, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations." RIS 2005-19 requests that addressees voluntarily submit estimates regarding operator licensing examinations. In the enclosure to this letter, Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) provides the requested information for the Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant (HNP), the Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant (FNP) and the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (VEGP).

The provided estimates are not commitments and may change. If you have any questions, please advise.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. M. Stinson".

L. M. Stinson

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Enclosures: NRC Form 536 Operator Licensing Examination Data for HNP, FNP and VEGP

cc: Southern Nuclear Operating Company
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OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATION DATA

Estimated burden per response to comply with this voluntary information collection request: 1 hour. This information collection is used to plan budgets and resources for operator examinations. Send comments regarding burden estimate to the Records and FOIA/Privacy Services Branch (T-5F53), U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001 or by internet email to infocollects@nrc.gov, and to the Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, NEDB-10202, (3150-0131), Office of Management and Budget Washington, DC 20503. If a means used to impose an information collection does not display a currently valid OMB control number, the NRC may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, the information collection.

FACILITY

Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant Units 1 & 2

NRC REGION

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A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2006</u>	CY <u>2007</u>	CY <u>2008</u>	CY <u>2009</u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS				
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS		1		1

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2006</u>	CY <u>2007</u>	CY <u>2008</u>	CY <u>2009</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS		6		6
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-INSTANT		6		6
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-UPGRADE		2		2
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-LIMITED				
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE		11/5/2007		11/2009
ALTERNATE DATE		12/3/2007		12/2009

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2006</u>				CY <u>2007</u>			
	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES		12						

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Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant Units 1 & 2

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A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2006</u>	CY <u>2007</u>	CY <u>2008</u>	CY <u>2009</u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS				
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	1	1	1

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2006</u>	CY <u>2007</u>	CY <u>2008</u>	CY <u>2009</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	3	8	7	7
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-INSTANT	5	8	5	5
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-UPGRADE	1	2	2	2
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-LIMITED				
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	10/23/2006	09/2007	09/2008	09/2009
ALTERNATE DATE	10/2006	08/2007	08/2008	08/2009

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2006</u>				CY <u>2007</u>			
	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES			16				12	

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Vogtle Electric Generating Plant Units 1 & 2

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A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2006</u>	CY <u>2007</u>	CY <u>2008</u>	CY <u>2009</u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS				
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS		1		1

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2006</u>	CY <u>2007</u>	CY <u>2008</u>	CY <u>2009</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS		10		6
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-INSTANT		4		4
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-UPGRADE		2		2
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-LIMITED				
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE		7/30/2007		5/25/2009
ALTERNATE DATE		8/30/2007		6/25/2009

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2006</u>				CY <u>2007</u>			
	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES		14						