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COLUMBIA COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

RESOLUTION: Support of Planned Expansion at Plant Vogtle

DATE: May 9, 2006

The Columbia County Chamber of Commerce supports Georgia Power's proposed expansion of Plant Vogtle near Waynesboro and the construction of additional reactors. The Chamber feels this is a positive development for Columbia County, our business community, Metro Augusta and the Central Savannah River Area (CSRA).

The Columbia County Chamber of Commerce represents 800+ businesses who serve the population of 100,000 people in one of the fastest growing areas in Georgia. Many of these companies do business with Plant Vogtle and many Plant Vogtle employees call Columbia County home.

The addition at Plant Vogtle will further enhance recognition of the CSRA as the nation's hub for the resurgent nuclear energy industry. This expansion will allow us to continue to receive clean, cost-effective and reliable energy to serve the CSRA. As well, the jobs and economic activity created by the construction and continuing operation of Plant Vogtle will boost our area's economy.

The Columbia County Chamber of Commerce is proud to have Plant Vogtle in our community. We are excited at the prospect of its expansion. The Columbia County Chamber of Commerce supports the expansion project throughout its licensing, construction and eventual operation.

On behalf of Columbia County Chamber of Commerce Board,

George Duehring Chairman of Board 2006 Columbia County Chamber Gordon Renshaw
Executive Director
Columbia County Chamber

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