

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
SOUTHERN NUCLEAR OPERATING COMPANY

Docket No. 52-011-ESP

ASLBP No. 07-850-01-ESP-BD01

ESTABLISHMENT OF ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

Pursuant to delegation by the Commission dated December 29, 1972, published in the Federal Register, 37 Fed. Reg. 28,710 (1972), and the Commission's regulations, see 10 C.F.R. §§ 2.104, 2.300, 2.303, 2.309, 2.311, 2.318, and 2.321, an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board is being established to preside over the following proceeding:

SOUTHERN NUCLEAR OPERATING COMPANY
(Early Site Permit for Vogtle ESP Site)

This Board is being established pursuant to an October 5, 2006 Notice of Hearing and Opportunity to Petition for Leave to Intervene published in the Federal Register (71 Fed. Reg. 60,195 (Oct. 12, 2006)). The hearing will consider the August 14, 2006 application, as supplemented, of Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) pursuant to 10 C.F.R. Part 52 for an early site permit (ESP) for the Vogtle ESP site in eastern Georgia, as well as the December 11, 2006 petition to intervene submitted by the Petitioners Center for a Sustainable Coast, Savannah Riverkeeper, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, Atlanta Women's Action for New Directions, and Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League challenging the ESP application.

The Board is comprised of the following administrative judges:

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All correspondence, documents, and other materials shall be filed with the administrative judges in accordance with 10 C.F.R. § 2.302.

This proceeding will serve as a pilot for extending the use of the Commission's existing high-level waste repository-related Electronic Submittal System to Commission licensing and enforcement cases generally. An order is being issued contemporaneously with this Licensing Board establishment notice establishing procedures in this proceeding for submitting documents using the Electronic Submittal System.

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E. Roy Hawkens
Chief Administrative Judge
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Issued at Rockville, Maryland,
this 15th day of December 2006.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing ESTABLISHMENT OF ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD have been served upon the following persons by Electronic Information Exchange and electronic mail.

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