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Comments on the Petition for Rulemaking Submitted by the Project on Government Oversight and Union of Concerned Scientists (72 Fed. Reg. 14713)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission published a petition for rulemaking submitted by the Project on Government Oversight (POGO) and the Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS) in the Federal Register on March 29, 2007, regarding protection against radiological sabotage at U. S. nuclear power plants. The Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI), on behalf of the nuclear industry, prepared comments on the subject petition by letter dated June 12, 2007. Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) fully endorses the comments provided by NEI in its June 12, 2007, letter regarding the subject petition.

In addition to the comments provided by the NEI, SNC offers the following. The Nuclear Sector Specific Plan, developed by the Nuclear Sector in support of the National Infrastructure Protection Plan, states that the response to the type event discussed in the petition is an integrated response by the private sector, local, state, and federal resources. Again, this places responsibility to conduct exercises for all participants in an integrated response with the Department of Homeland Security.

This letter contains no NRC commitments. If you have any questions, please advise.

Sincerely,

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