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Please review and let me know if there are any corrections needed. I will need an email confirmation also so I can send it to Carolyn Lauron before noon today.

Thanks

Laura

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Staff Holds Public Meeting on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for an Early Site Permit (ESP) at the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant Site

On October 4, 2007, the staff held a public meeting in Augusta, GA on NUREG-1872, "Draft Environmental Impact Statement for an Early Site Permit (ESP) at the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant Site. The staff conducted this meeting to solicit comments from the public on the draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) which was issued on September 14, 2007. Approximately 200 people attended the meeting, including members of the public, representatives of the NRC staff, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Inc, local governments, and the local news media. Speakers expressed views supporting and opposing the Vogtle ESP, and a variety of environmental concerns. The NRC staff also hosted an informal "open house" for one hour prior to the meeting. Displays and brochures were used to assist the staff in answering questions about the proposed Vogtle ESP Site application. The public was also given the opportunity to give formal comments with the court reporter and NRC staff during the open house. The public comment period for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for an Early Site Permit (ESP) at the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant Site ends on November 28, 2008. The next step after the conclusion of the comment period, will be to evaluate the comments received, revise the DEIS as appropriate, and issue the final EIS in July 2008.