

January 8, 2008

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SUBJECT: ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE COMBINED LICENSE
APPLICATION FOR THE WILLIAM STATES LEE III NUCLEAR STATION
UNITS 1 AND 2 AND ASSOCIATED FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE

Dear Mr. Dolan:

By letter dated December 12, 2007, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (Duke) tendered a combined license (COL) application for two Westinghouse AP1000 advanced passive pressurized water reactors designated as Units 1 and 2 of the William States Lee III Nuclear Station. The proposed site is located in the eastern portion of Cherokee County in north central South Carolina, approximately 35 miles southwest of Charlotte, North Carolina, and approximately 7.5 miles southeast of Gaffney, South Carolina. Duke stated that the COL was submitted pursuant to the provisions of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), Part 52 and the associated material licenses under 10 CFR Parts 30, 40, and 70.

The NRC acknowledges the receipt of your application, and intends to conduct an acceptance review. If the staff finds the application acceptable, we will docket the application. To the extent possible the staff will communicate with Duke on any issues that arise regarding the acceptance review. As mutually agreed by Duke and the staff, it is anticipated that the determination on acceptability for docketing will be completed by February 15, 2008.

A related notice will be forwarded to the *Federal Register* to inform the public of receipt and availability of the subject application. The staff intends to publish a schedule for review of the William States Lee III Units 1 and 2 COL within 30 days of docketing of the application.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-8488 or by email at jls1@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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