

Good Evening

I am David Cordeau and I currently serve as the President and CEO of the Spartanburg Area Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Futures Group (which is the economic development organization for Spartanburg County.)

I am here to indicate enthusiastic support for the permitting and the construction of Lee Nuclear Station in Cherokee County.

Our endorsement goes beyond the obvious economic benefits of the design, construction and operation of the Lee Station. It reaches to the critical need to secure a sustainable, safe and reliable source of energy for our economic future.

Our economy is still emerging from a previous era. The new economy we seek to create is as much dependent on clean available energy as it is on the wonderful people who live here and who will provide the talent and creativity to bring us forward.

I have with me a resolution from our Chamber and supporting letters from companies who believe as we do.

I am pleased to submit these documents.



SPARTANBURG AREA
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

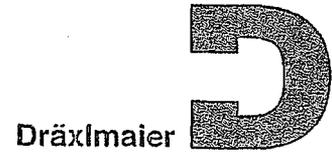
TO: US Nuclear Regulatory Commission

The Spartanburg Chamber is aware that Duke Energy has submitted an application to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission for a license to construct and operate the William States Lee III Nuclear Station in Cherokee County, SC. The Lee Nuclear generating facility will contribute significantly to meeting the growing energy needs in South Carolina. The Chamber also recognizes the important contribution that nuclear generation will make in reducing the carbon footprint for Duke Energy, its customers, and in the Upstate of SC. The Chamber believes that Nuclear Power is critical to the long term development of stable energy supplies in the State and region.

The Spartanburg Chamber believes that this facility will also benefit the economy of the Upstate and of South Carolina. The potential investment in the region will have considerable impact, not only in Cherokee County, but in neighboring Counties like Spartanburg. Development of the Lee Station in the Upstate will bring thousands of construction jobs, additional services, and hundreds of high paying, full-time jobs during the actual operation of the plant. There is no doubt that the project will make a major contribution to the economy of Cherokee County, Spartanburg County and neighboring counties in the region.

The Spartanburg Chamber knows that Duke Energy has demonstrated safe and efficient nuclear operations in South Carolina with the Catawba and Oconee Nuclear Stations. Duke Energy has been a good corporate citizen in Spartanburg, the upstate, and in South Carolina, contributing both to the economic benefit and environmental benefit of the State. We believe that that Duke Energy will continue the same safe and efficient operations with the Lee Nuclear Station that it has demonstrated with the Catawba and Oconee Nuclear Stations.

The Spartanburg Chamber and its Board of Directors encourage the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to approve the license application for the William States Lee III Nuclear Station .Duke Energy needs to move forward with the construction and operation of this electric generation facility. We think the future of our regional energy needs, and the success of our business community, depend on it!



March 28, 2008

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Re: William States Lee III Nuclear Station

To Whom It May Concern:

Duke Energy has submitted an application to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission for a license to construct and operate the William States Lee III Nuclear Station in Cherokee County, SC.

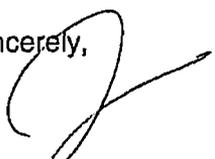
This electric generation facility will contribute significantly to meeting the growing energy needs in South Carolina. At the same time, nuclear energy has a small carbon footprint and contributes to the United States quest to reduce carbon emissions and other air pollutants.

This facility is also a benefit to the economy of South Carolina. This several billion dollar investment in South Carolina will bring over 2000 construction jobs and over 800 full-time jobs during its operating life. It will also contribute positively to the economy of Cherokee County and neighboring counties over its lifetime.

Duke Energy has demonstrated safe and efficient nuclear operations in South Carolina with the Catawba and Oconee Nuclear Stations. Additionally, Duke Energy has been a good corporate citizen in South Carolina contributing both to the economic benefit and environmental benefit of the State. We anticipate that Duke Energy will continue the same safe and efficient operations with the Lee Nuclear Station that it has demonstrated with the Catawba and Oconee Nuclear Stations.

We encourage the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to approve the license application for the William States Lee III Nuclear Station and allow Duke Energy to move forward with the construction and operation of this electric generation facility.

Sincerely,


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Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Gentlemen:

You have before you an application that seeks to permit a nuclear power plant to be built in Cherokee County, South Carolina. I live in the adjoining county of Spartanburg, and I have developed several million square feet of industrial, retail, office and apartments in both counties. The economies of both counties have been under attack over the last decade with the loss of a tremendous number of textile and industrial jobs. Most of these jobs have been outsourced overseas, and we are fighting a battle to replace the jobs and the investment. One of the key attractions to our area are competitive electrical rates, the availability of power and the existence of excess capacity in our system grid.

Adding the Lee Nuclear Plant to this grid is key to our being competitive in this world economy. Our reliance on foreign sources of energy will be reduced, our greenhouse gases will be reduced and our economy will be stimulated. This sounds like a win-win-win proposition to me.

I heartily am in favor of, and ask your support of, the licensing of the Lee Nuclear Plant.

Very Truly Yours,

A. Foster Chapman,
President

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