



Cherokee County Development Board

April 29, 2008

Resolution

The Cherokee County Development Board 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. This electric generation facility will contribute significantly to meeting 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 also has a significant benefit to the economy of South Carolina and Cherokee County. This multi-billion dollar investment in the County will bring over 2000 construction jobs and over 800 full-time jobs during its operating life. It will contribute positively to the economy of Cherokee County and neighboring counties. The facility will also provide needed high paying jobs for the Citizens of Cherokee County and of South Carolina.

Duke Energy has demonstrated safe and efficient nuclear operations in South Carolina with the Catawba and Oconee Nuclear Stations. Duke Energy has also 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 the electric generation facility.

This resolution was unanimously adopted by the Cherokee County Development Board on April 28th, 2008.

Respectfully,

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