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Subject: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC
William States Lee III Nuclear Station - Docket Nos. 52-018 and 52-019
AP1000 Combined License Application for the William States Lee III
Nuclear Station Units 1 and 2
Duke Energy Carolinas 2008 Integrated Resource Plan
Ltr # WLG2008.11-02

The Duke Energy Carolinas (Duke) application for a combined license (COL) for the William States Lee III Nuclear Station included information reflective of Duke's 2007 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP). Pursuant to the requirements of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina and the North Carolina Utilities Commission, Duke has submitted its 2008 IRP to those commissions. A copy of the IRP is enclosed for your information.

Estimated cost information was provided in Part 1 of the Lee Nuclear Station COL application (Administrative and Financial Information) and was withheld from public disclosure under 10 CFR §2.390(a)(4). Updated cost information included as part of Duke's submittal of the 2008 IRP supersedes a *portion* of the originally withheld information contained in Part 1 of the COL application, Table 1.0-1 (Projected Project Cost Statement, Lee Nuclear Station Units 1 and 2). Duke has determined that the updated cost information need not be withheld from public disclosure. The current estimated cost for the Lee Nuclear Station is approximately \$11 billion in 2008 dollars, exclusive of escalation, financing costs, or fuel costs. Duke has not finalized an engineering, procurement and construction contract for the Lee Nuclear Station, and this estimate could be impacted by many factors currently affecting the global energy supply markets.

The conclusions of the 2008 IRP will be reflected in a future revision to the Lee Nuclear Station COL application currently expected to be submitted in early 2009.

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If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact Peter S. Hastings, Nuclear Plant Development Licensing Manager, at 980-373-7820.



Bryan J. Dolan
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Enclosure: Duke Energy Carolinas 2008 Integrated Resource Plan

AFFIDAVIT OF BRYAN J. DOLAN

Bryan J. Dolan, being duly sworn, states that he is Vice President, Nuclear Plant Development, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, that he is authorized on the part of said Company to sign and file with the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission this supplement to the combined license application for the William States Lee III Nuclear Station and that all the matter and facts set forth herein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to me on *Nov. 4, 2008*

Janie Falcone
Notary Public

My commission expires: *Feb. 27, 2011*

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