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Billy Gleaves
Sr. Project Manager
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Office of New Reactors
US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Dear Mr. Gleaves:

The Bellefonte Nuclear project promises to provide clean, economical electric power for years to come helping to meet current and future demand. The Westinghouse Advanced Passive 1000 reactor is simpler and safer than previous reactor designs and can be duplicated in many locations which make it possible to provide abundant energy inexpensively throughout our nation.

The initial project when in service will employ 600 – 800 people for a two reactor plant at an average annual salary of \$70,000. During construction 1500 to 2000 workers will be required which will have an immediate positive effect on the economy.

We look forward to the success of this project and the benefits to the people of Alabama. Bellefonte and North Alabama will lead the way in helping our nation to energy independence and will be a model for future energy growth in America.

Sincerely,

Neal Wade