

December 10, 2010

MEMORANDUM TO: Edwin M. Hackett, Executive Director
Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards

FROM: David B. Matthews, Director */RA Frank Akstulewicz for/*
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Office of New Reactors

SUBJECT: VIRGIL C. SUMMER NUCLEAR STATION UNITS 2 AND 3 –
COMBINED LICENSE APPLICATION - ADVANCED SAFETY
EVALUATION WITHOUT OPEN ITEMS FOR CHAPTER 1,
“INTRODUCTION AND INTERFACES”

By letter dated March 27, 2008 (ML081300460), South Carolina Electric & Gas (SCE&G) submitted an application to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) for a combined license (COL) for Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station (VCSNS) Units 2 and 3.

Based on our review of the application, the staff is providing the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) its Advanced Safety Evaluation (ASE), without open items for Chapter 1, “Introduction and Interfaces,” (ML101370358) and Appendix A, “License Conditions, Inspections Tests Analyses and Acceptance Criteria and Final Safety Analysis Report Commitments,” (ML103360056). Unless otherwise stated in the ASEs, the staff’s review was based on Revision 2 of the application. The ASEs are being provided to support a meeting of the subcommittee of the ACRS scheduled to be held in January 2011. The ACRS Full Committee meeting will be held after the subcommittee meeting.

The staff has reviewed the ASEs and found no topics that meet the categories of interest that ACRS members would like to review in detail.

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The staff concludes that the ASEs do not contain any information exempt from public disclosure. However, the NRC will withhold the ASEs from public disclosure for ten business days to allow SCE&G the opportunity to verify the staff's conclusion that the ASEs contains no such exempt information. Therefore, the staff requests that the ACRS withhold the ASEs from public disclosure until it has been released publicly in the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System.

The staff will inform the ACRS immediately if VCSNS request that any of the information in the ASEs be withheld from public disclosure.

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