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Subject: Acceptance Review: Hatch 4th Interval Requests for Relief

By letter dated July 8, 2010, Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Inc. (SNC) submitted a request for relief for the Hatch Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2, for the Fourth 10-Year Inservice Inspection (ISI) Interval. SNC stated that these relief requests are coverage relief requests where it is impractical to obtain more than 90 percent coverage and there is reasonable assurance of structural integrity. The purpose of this e-mail is to provide the results of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff's acceptance review of this relief request. The acceptance review was performed to determine if there is sufficient technical information in scope and depth to allow the NRC staff to continue with its detailed technical review. The acceptance review is also intended to identify whether the application has any readily apparent information insufficiencies in its characterization of the regulatory requirements or the licensing basis of the plant.

The NRC staff has reviewed your application and concluded that it does provide technical information in sufficient detail to enable the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review and make an independent assessment regarding the acceptability of the proposed amendment in terms of regulatory requirements and the protection of public health and safety and the environment. Given the lesser scope and depth of the acceptance review as compared to the detailed technical review, there may be instances in which issues that impact the NRC staff's ability to complete the detailed technical review are identified despite completion of an adequate acceptance review. If additional information is needed, you will be advised by separate correspondence.

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