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SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF THE AVAILABILITY OF THE COMBINED LICENSE
APPLICATION FOR VOGTLE ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT UNITS 3 AND 4
IN ACCORDANCE WITH 10 CFR 50.43 REQUIREMENTS

Dear Ms. Elgohary:

On March 28, 2008, Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC), acting on behalf of itself and Georgia Power Company, Oglethorpe Power Corporation (an Electric Membership Corporation), Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia, and the City of Dalton, Georgia, an incorporated municipality in the State of Georgia acting by and through its Board of Water, Light and Sinking Fund Commissioners, tendered a combined license (COL) application for two AP1000 advanced passive pressurized water reactors at the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (VEGP) site located in Burke County, Georgia. The reactors are to be identified as VEGP Units 3 and 4. The application is currently under review by the NRC staff.

In that March 28, 2008, letter, SNC stated that it submitted the COL application pursuant to the requirements of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 52, "Licenses, Certifications, and Approvals for Nuclear Power Plants," Subpart C, "Combined Licenses," and the associated materials licenses under 10 CFR Parts 30, 40, and 70. In addition, SNC stated that the COL application incorporates, by reference, Appendix D to 10 CFR 52 and the Westinghouse Electric Corporation's (Westinghouse's) application for amendment to portions of the Design Control Document (DCD) Revision 16 (submitted May 26, 2007), including Westinghouse Technical Report APP-GW-GLR-134, Revision 4, "AP1000 DCD Impacts to Support COLA Standardization" (submitted March 18, 2008) and the Vogtle Early Site Permit Application, Revision 4, dated March 28, 2008. Since the initial submission of the COL application, SNC has updated it to reference Revision 18 of the AP1000 DCD amendment application, as well as the Vogtle Early Site Permit (ESP) Application, Revision 5, dated December 23, 2008, as approved by the NRC in the Vogtle Early Site Permit and Limited Work Authorization (ESP-004), dated August 26, 2009.

In accordance with the requirements found in 10 CFR 50.43(a)(1), the staff is providing this written notification to you because the staff has determined that your agency may have jurisdiction over the rates and services that are incident to the possible licensing by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission of VEGP Units 3 and 4.

A copy of the application is available via the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. The accession number for the application is

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ML081050133. Other publicly available documents related to the application are also posted in ADAMS. The application is also available at <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-reactors/col.html>.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at (301) 415-6191 or by email at Ravindra.Joshi@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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