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SUBJECT: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT FOR VIRGIL C. SUMMER NUCLEAR STATION, UNITS 2 AND 3,
COMBINED LICENSES APPLICATION REVIEW

Dear Chief Hicks:

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If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Ms. Patricia Vokoun, Environmental Project Manager, by phone at 301-415-3470 or via email to Patricia.Vokoun@nrc.gov.

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