

Vogtle 3 & 4 COL

Southern Nuclear Operating Company Vogtle Units 3 & 4

Combined Licenses and Limited Work Authorization

Mandatory Hearing

Environmental Overview – Panel 1

September 28, 2011

Dale Fulton – SNC

SNCR00010

SOUTHERN

# **Overview of Vogtle Units 3 & 4 NEPA Activities**



- ESPA and request for LWA-A Phase
- COLA and request for additional LWA-B Phase
  Stand along NEDA review for COL LWA
  - Stand alone NEPA review for COL LWA
- ESP License Amendments
  - 3 amendment requests
- New and Significant review throughout COLA process
  - Initial review was conducted on the Draft EIS for ESP
  - Revised subsequent to ESP FEIS
  - Will continue throughout the project until issuance of the COL



## **NEPA Overview for ESP & LWA-A**

- Vogtle 3&4 ESPA ER analysis included ESP and LWA
  - Vogtle 3&4 ESPA was for a plant specific design (AP1000 Certified Design)
- Vogtle 3&4 ESP FEIS issued with no unresolved environmental issues
- No significant environmental impacts from ESP backfill amendments 1 – 3 (Backfill/Borrow Sources)
   Main Environmental Focus
   Terrestrial Impacts



## **NEPA Overview for COL & LWA-B**

- Vogtle 3&4 COLA ER referenced the Vogtle ESP EIS
  - Initial COLA ER included New & Significant Evaluations based on the ESP Draft EIS.
  - COLA ER was revised to include the New & Significant Evaluations for the ESP FEIS
- COLA revised Part 6 to include LWA-B
  Stand alone Environmental Report issued for LWA-B
  Findings incorporated in COL FSEIS
- The Environmental findings from the 3 ESP License Amendments were incorporated in the COL FSEIS
- COL FSEIS issued March 2011 with no open items



# **New & Significant Review**

The process is designed to "... provide a methodical, comprehensive review of the conclusions presented in the ESP EIS and the supporting information for those conclusions to identify any new and significant (N&S) information that has the potential to change the NRC's conclusions presented in the ESP EIS." (10 CFR 51.50(c))

 SNC adopted the definitions of "new" and "significant" previously published by the NRC (72 FR 49352).

 NRC Staff accepted SNC's N&S process during a site visit and audit.

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### **BEFORE THE COMMISSION**

)	
In the Matter of ()	
)	Docket Nos. 52-025-COL and 52-026-COL
Southern Nuclear Operating Company )	
(Vogtle Electric Generating Plant, )	September 23, 2011
Units 3 and 4)	

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of EXHIBIT SNCR00010 for the Vogtle Units 3 & 4 COL Mandatory Hearing in the above-captioned proceeding have been served by electronic mail as shown below, this 23rd day of September, 2011, and/or by e-submittal.

M. Stanford Blanton C. Grady Moore Peter D. LeJeune Leslie Garrett Allen Millicent Ronnlund Balch & Bingham LLP P. O. Box 306 Birmingham, AL 35201 (E-mail: <u>sblanton@balch.com</u>; plejeune@balch.com; mronnlund@balch.com)

Kristy Remsburg U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555-0001 (E-mail: ogcmailcenter@nrc.gov) Marcia Carpentier Karen Francis Joseph Gilman Ann P. Hodgdon Sara Kirkwood Patrick A. Moulding Marian Zobler Office of the General Counsel Mail Stop O-15D-21 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555-0001 (E-mail: marcia.carpienter@nrc.gov; karin.francis@nrc.gov: joseph.gilman@nrc.gov; ann.hodgdon@nrc.gov; sara.kirkwood@nrc.gov: patrick.moulding@nrc.gov; marian.zobler@nrc.gov)

Office of Commission Appellate Adjudication U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555-0001 (E-mail: <u>ocaamail@nrc.gov</u>) Charles Pierce Southern Nuclear Operating Company 42 Inverness Center Parkway Birmingham, AL 35242 (E-mail: CRPIERCE@southernco.com)

Office of the Secretary Mail Stop O-16C1 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555-0001 (E-mail: <u>HEARINGDOCKET@nrc.gov</u>)

Rebecca Giitter U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff Office of the Secretary Washington, D.C. 20555-0001 (E-mail: <u>rebecca.giiter@nrc.gov</u>) Kathryn M. Sutton Mary Freeze Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, LLP 1111 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. Washington, DC 20004 (E-mail: <u>ksutton@morganlewis.com</u>; mfreeze@morganlewis.com)

Anita Ghosh U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555-0001 (E-mail: <u>anita.ghosh@nrc.gov</u>)

Respectfully submitted,

(Original signed by M. Stanford Blanton)

M. Stanford Blanton, Esq. BALCH & BINGHAM LLP 1710 Sixth Avenue North Birmingham, AL 35203-2015 Telephone: (205) 251-8100 Facsimile: (205) 226-8798 COUNSEL FOR SOUTHERN NUCLEAR OPERATING COMPANY

Kathryn M. Sutton, Esq. MORGAN, LEWIS & BOCKIUS LLP 1111 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20004 Telephone: (202) 739-5738 Facsimile: (202) 739-3001 CO-COUNSEL FOR SOUTHERN NUCLEAR OPERATING COMPANY