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General Comment

Please see the attached document for a letter of response.

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Design Centered Working Group AP1000
Endorsement of Westinghouse 10/20/2011 Letter LTR-NRC-11-39

Reference: Draft NRC Regulatory Issue Summary on
Metal Fatigue Analysis Performed by Computer Software

Dear Ms. Cindy Bladey,

In Federal Register notice dated September 30, 2011, Volume 76, No. 190, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued an action of request for comment on Draft Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) NRC-2011-0229, "Metal Fatigue Analysis Performed by Computer Software". In response to the NRC's requests for comment on Draft RIS NRC-2011-0229 Westinghouse Electric Company (WEC) issued LTR-NRC-11-39 dated October 20, 2011.

The utility members of the AP1000 Design Centered Working Group (DCWG)¹ endorse the WEC comments in letter LTR-NRC-11-39 dated October 20, 2011. As WEC indicated in their comments, the AP1000 DCWG believes that the staff concerns regarding WESTEMS software will be resolved, and intend to work with the cognizant NRC staff members by requesting a meeting. The AP1000 DCWG gained confidence that the WESTEMS issues can be resolved by conducting a focused assessment on ASME Code and NQA-1-1994 compliance. The AP1000 DCWG intends to present the results of that assessment at a future meeting with NRC staff.

¹ AP1000 DCWG utility members include: Southern Nuclear for Vogtle 3&4; SCE&G for Summer 2&3; Progress Energy for Harris 2&3 and Levy 1&2; Duke Energy for Lee 1&2; FPL for Turkey Point 6&7; and TVA for Bellefonte 3&4.



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If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (205) 992-5805 or agaughtm@southernco.com.

Sincerely,

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