

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

In the Matter of)	
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SOUTHERN NUCLEAR OPERATING CO.)	Docket Nos.
)	52-025-COL & 52-026-COL
(Vogtle Electric Generating Plant,)	
Units 3 and 4))	
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ORDER

The Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League, Center for a Sustainable Coast, Citizens Allied for Safe Energy, and Georgia Women’s Action for New Directions (collectively, Petitioners) filed a twenty-page motion for a stay of the Commission’s decision¹ authorizing issuance of combined licenses to construct and operate two new nuclear power reactors at Southern Nuclear Operating Company’s (Southern) Vogtle Electric Generating Plant site.²

Southern requests that the Commission strike Petitioners’ stay motion on the dual grounds that it exceeded (by ten pages) the page limit for such filings, and that Petitioners failed to seek an expansion of that page limit.³ Alternatively, Southern seeks a similar expansion of the ten-page limit for its answer, to twenty pages.⁴ The Staff states that it does not oppose

¹ CLI-12-2, 75 NRC __ (Feb. 9, 2012) (slip op.).

² *Petitioners’ Motion To Stay the Effectiveness of the Combined License for Vogtle Electric Generating Plant Units 3 And 4 Pending Judicial Review* (Feb. 16, 2012).

³ *Southern Nuclear Operating Company’s Motion to Strike or, in the Alternative, Request for Page Limit Extension* (Feb. 22, 2012), at 2 (citing 10 C.F.R. § 2.342(b)).

⁴ See *id.* at 3 (citing 10 C.F.R. § 2.342(d)).

Southern's request for a page expansion, provided that the Staff is accorded the same expansion.⁵

Pursuant to my authority under 10 C.F.R. § 2.346(j), I grant Southern's and the Staff's requests for a ten-page expansion, to twenty pages (exclusive of affidavits), for their answers to Petitioners' stay motion. The Commission will address Southern's motion to strike in a separate decision.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

For the Commission

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Annette L. Vietti-Cook
Secretary of the Commission

Dated at Rockville, Maryland,
this 24th day of February, 2012

⁵ *NRC Staff Answer to SNC Motion* (Feb. 23, 2012).

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