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Vogtle Electric Generating Plant – Units 3 and 4  
NRC Notification of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Permit Change Request

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On February 10, 2012, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (VEGP) Units 3 and 4 combined licenses (COLs) (License Nos. NPF-91 and NPF-92, respectively) to Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC). The COL, Appendix B - Environmental Protection Plan (EPP), Section 3 states that SNC shall notify the NRC of proposed changes to permits or certifications concerning aquatic or terrestrial resources by providing the NRC with a copy of the proposed change(s) at the same time it is submitted to the permitting agency.

On September 30, 2010, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District (Corps) issued Individual Permit Number SAS-2007-01837 to SNC authorizing impacts to Waters of the US associated with construction of VEGP Units 3&4. At the time the Corps permit was issued, the exact route of the new 500 kilovolt (kV) transmission line that will provide electricity from VEGP to the Thomson Primary substation in Warren County, Georgia was unknown. Accordingly, once the exact route was determined, any impacts to Waters of the US associated with construction of the Thomson-Vogtle transmission line would require prior authorization from the Corps.

In accordance with the requirements of the VEGP COL EPP, please find attached a copy of the Pre-Construction Notification requesting authorization from the Corps for impacts to Waters of the US pursuant to Nationwide Permit No. 12 (NWP 12) – Utility Line Activities, for the construction of the new Thomson-Vogtle 500 kV transmission line.

This letter does not contain any NRC commitments. Should you have any questions, please contact Dale Fulton at (205) 992-7536.

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Mr. Charles R. Pierce states he is the Regulatory Affairs Director of Southern Nuclear Operating Company, is authorized to execute this oath on behalf of Southern Nuclear Operating Company and to the best of his knowledge and belief, the facts set forth in this letter are true.

Respectfully submitted,

SOUTHERN NUCLEAR OPERATING COMPANY

*Charles R. Pierce*

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2012

Notary Public: Kristina Marie Seibert

My commission expires: August 16, 2016

CRP/MTM/kms

Enclosure: Nationwide Permit 12 - Pre-construction Notification Thomson-Vogtle 500kV  
Transmission Line

cc: (all w/o Enclosure except as noted)

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