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SUBJECT: OCONEE NUCLEAR STATION - NOTIFICATION OF CYBER SECURITY TI MILESTONES 1-7 INSPECTION AND REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 05000269/2013406 AND 05000270/2013406 AND 05000287/2013406)

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Region II (RII) staff will conduct an inspection of the Cyber Security Milestones 1-7 requirements specified by the conditions of your operating license at the Oconee Nuclear Station on May 20 - 24, 2013. The inspection team will be led by Mr. Jigar Patel, Reactor Inspector, of the NRC RII office. The team will be composed of personnel from the NRC RII office and personnel from the NRC office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response (NSIR). The inspection will be conducted in accordance with Temporary Instruction (TI) 2201/004, "Inspection of Implementation of Interim Cyber Security Milestones 1-7." The TI inspection will be performed to evaluate and verify your ability to meet the interim milestone requirements of the NRC's Cyber Security Rule, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 73, Section 54, "Protection of Digital Computer and Communication Systems and Networks."

In accordance with 10 CFR 73.54, each nuclear power plant licensee was required to submit a proposed cyber security plan (CSP) and implementation schedule for NRC review and approval. On December 14, 2009, by letter (ML093080517) to the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI), the NRC provided their expectations for the proposed implementation schedule. On January 5, 2011, by letter (ML110060093) to the NRC, NEI issued an initial "Template for the Cyber Security Plan Implementation Schedule" (ML110060097). On February 28, 2011, by letter (ML110600206) to the NRC, NEI provided a revised, "Template for the Cyber Security Plan Implementation Schedule." The purpose of the letter's attachment was to provide the licensee with a generically written template to develop their proposed CSP implementation schedule. Utilization of the generic template required the licensee to make conforming changes to ensure the submitted schedule accurately accounted for site-specific activities. The CSP, implementation schedule, and other applicable information for your facility provided the

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implementation aspects, including the key intermediate milestone attributes and dates as well as the full implementation dates. The implementation aspects were described based, in part, on letters to the NRC dated November 20, 2009 (ML093410249), August 16, 2010 (ML1023001680, ML1023001681) and supplemented by letters dated September 27, 2010, March 7, 2011, April 15, 2011 (ML111090627), and August 9, 2011 (ML11109A0741). By reference to letter dated August 31, 2011 (ML11216A064), license condition 3.E was modified for facility operating licenses DPR-38, DPR-47, and DPR-55 for Oconee Units 1, 2, and 3 to ensure that the CSP would be implemented and maintained consistent with NRC requirements.

On February 21, 2013, during a conversation between Ms. Judy Smith of your staff, and Mr. Jigar Patel, NRC RII, our respective staffs confirmed arrangements for a three day information gathering onsite visit and a one-week onsite inspection. The subject TI inspection provides a programmatic level review and verification of the licensee's site-specific implementation of Interim Milestones 1 through 7. The schedule for the onsite TI Inspection for the Interim Milestones 1 through 7 is as follows:

- Information gathering visit: May 7 – 9, 2013
- Onsite inspection: May 20 – 24, 2013

The purpose of the information gathering visit is to: (1) obtain information and documentation needed to support the TI inspection; (2) become familiar with the Oconee Nuclear Station Cyber Security Program and plant layout; and (3) arrange administrative details, such as office space, availability of knowledgeable office personnel and to ensure unescorted site access privileges.

In order to assure a productive TI inspection, we have enclosed a request for documents needed to ensure the inspectors are adequately prepared. These documents have been divided into three groups (I, II, & III). Group I lists information necessary to aid the inspectors in planning for the TI inspection prior to the information gathering visit. It is requested that this information be provided to the lead inspector via mail no later than April 10, 2013. Group II lists information and possible areas for discussion necessary to assist the inspectors during the TI inspection. It is requested this information be available during the information gathering visit (May 7, 2013). Group III consists of those items that the inspectors will review, or need access to, during the TI inspection. Group III also lists the information necessary to aid the inspectors in tracking questions and answers identified as a result of the TI inspection. It is requested that this information be provided to the lead inspector as the information is generated during the TI inspection. It is important that all of these documents are up to date and complete in order to minimize the number of additional documents requested during the preparation and/or the onsite portions of the TI inspection.

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Your cooperation and support during this inspection will be appreciated. If you have questions concerning this inspection, or the inspection team's information or logistical needs, please contact Mr. Patel at (404) 997-4577, or me at (404) 997-4511.

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Sincerely,

/RA/

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