

October 8, 2013

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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO ORDER FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF ADDITIONAL SECURITY MEASURES AND FINGERPRINTING FOR UNESCORTED ACCESS FOR VOGTLE ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT INDEPENDENT SPENT FUEL STORAGE INSTALLATION

Dear Mr. Tynan:

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In the May 10, 2012, response, SNC stated that it would demonstrate ability to comply with the Order by April 23, 2013. On April 23, 2013, SNC stated that the beginning of spent fuel placement in the ISFSI, under a general license, was tentatively scheduled for October 14, 2013. In a letter from SNC to the NRC dated August 9, 2013, SNC informed the NRC that it was prepared to demonstrate compliance with ISFSI Security Order EA-12-047. The NRC performed a security inspection on August 13, 2013.

Based on our review, the NRC staff finds that your responses to the Order are acceptable. The NRC has determined that you have effectively implemented the ASMs through on-site inspection (IR 05000424/2013403, 05000425/2013403, and 07201039/2013401). If you have any questions about this letter, please call me at 301-287-9185.

Sincerely,

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