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In re:

Vogtle Electric Generating Plant Unit 3  
Docket 52-025  
Combined License Number NPF-91

Vogtle Electric Generating Plant Unit 4  
Docket 52-026  
Combined License Number NPF-92

**Notification Required under the Environmental Protection Plan**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On July 29, 2011, Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) submitted an Application for a Permit to Withdraw or Divert Surface Water for the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (VEGP) Units 3 and 4 to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD). On February 5, 2014, the EPD published its Notice of Draft Non-Farm Surface Water Withdrawal Permit – Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (Units 3 and 4) for public review and comment. Near the end of the public comment period, EPD noticed and held a Public Hearing on May 8, 2014 at the Augusta Technical College in Waynesboro, Georgia. On December 11, 2014, EPD issued the final Surface Water Withdrawal Permit for VEGP 3 and 4 (Permit # 017-0191-11) as well as its Response to Comments (dated December 5, 2014) received during the public comment period and public hearing.

On January 5, 2015, the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control filed a Petition for Hearing on the VEGP 3 and 4 Surface Water Withdrawal permit. In accordance with Official Code of Georgia Annotated (O.C.G.A.) 391-1-2-.07(1), the permit is automatically stayed upon the filing of a petition for review. Therefore, the VEGP Units 3 and 4 Surface Water Withdrawal Permit is automatically stayed pending administrative review.

This notification to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) satisfies VEGP Units 3 and 4 Combined Licenses, Appendix B (Environmental Protection Plan), Section 3 requirement that if a permit or certification, in part or in its entirety, is appealed and stayed, the NRC shall be notified within 30 days following the date the stay is granted.

This letter and its enclosures contain no regulatory commitments. Should you have any questions, please contact Brian Meadors at (205) 992-7331.

Respectfully submitted,

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