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**SUBJECT: VOGTLE ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT UNITS 3 AND 4 – ISSUANCE OF  
AMENDMENT AND GRANTING OF EXEMPTION RE: INITIAL TEST  
PROGRAM CHANGES (TAC NO. RP9503)**

Dear Mr. Whitley:

In response to your application dated November 21, 2014, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (Commission) has granted the enclosed Exemption and issued the enclosed Amendment No. 34 to Combined Licenses Nos. NPF-91 and NPF-92 for the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (VEGP) Units 3 and 4, respectively. The amendment consists of changes to the Updated Final Safety Analysis Report (UFSAR), Tier 1 Section 3.4, and Facility Combined Licenses (COLs) for VEGP Units 3 and 4.

The exemption allows the implementation of changes to the UFSAR that depart from Generic Tier 1 information in the AP1000 Certified Design Control Document, as specified in License Amendment Request 14-010. The amendment revises the UFSAR by making changes to the Initial Test Program, and making changes to the corresponding Tier 1 information.

A copy of the related Safety Evaluation, which includes the evaluation of the amendment and exemption, is also enclosed. The notice of issuance of the amendment and the exemption documents included in this letter will be published in the Federal Register.

Sincerely,

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Docket No(s): 52-025  
52-026

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