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July 21, 2015

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SUBJECT: WILLIAM STATES LEE III NUCLEAR STATION COMBINED LICENSE

APPLICATION - ADVANCED SAFETY EVALUATION WITH NO OPEN ITEMS

FOR CHAPTER 2.0 - 2.3, "SITE CHARACTERISTICS AND SITE

PARAMETERS"

Dear Mr. Fallon:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff is preparing an Advanced Safety Evaluation (ASE) with no Open Items (OIs) for each chapter of the William States Lee III Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2 Combined license Application (COLA) submitted by Duke Energy Carolinas on December 12, 2007.

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