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**SUBJECT: MID-CYCLE ASSESSMENT LETTER FOR VIRGIL C. SUMMER NUCLEAR
STATION UNITS 2 AND 3 (NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS.
05200027/2015005 AND 05200028/2015005)**

Dear Mr. Jones:

On August 10, 2015, the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commissioner (NRC) completed its mid-cycle performance review of Virgil C. Summer (VCS) Nuclear Station Units 2 and 3. The NRC reviewed the most recent inspection results and enforcement actions from January 1, 2015, through June 30, 2015. This letter informs you of the NRC's assessment of your facility during this period and its plans for future inspections at your facility.

The NRC determined the performance at VCS Nuclear Station Units 2 and 3 during the most recent quarter was within the Licensee Response Column of the NRC's Construction Reactor Oversight Process (cROP) Action Matrix because all inspection findings had very low (i.e., green) safety significance. Therefore, the NRC plans to conduct cROP baseline inspections at your facility.

The enclosed inspection plan lists the inspections scheduled through June 30, 2016. Routine inspections performed by construction resident inspectors are not included in the inspection plan. The inspections listed are tentative and may be revised based on construction activities occurring at the site. The NRC provides the inspection plan to allow for the resolution of any scheduling conflicts and personnel availability issues. The NRC will contact you as soon as possible to discuss changes to the inspection plan should circumstances warrant any changes.

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Please contact me at (404)997-4540 with any questions you have regarding this letter or inspection plan.

Sincerely,

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V. C. Summer Inspection Plan

| Programmatic Inspections (IMC 2504) | |
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| Est. Date | Description |
| Week of Oct 5, 2015 | Annual QA Inspection, IP 35007 |
| 4Q 2015 | Radiation Protection, IP 83533, 83535, and 83536 |
| 4Q 2015 | Fire Protection (portion applicable to radioactive material), IP 64705 |
| 2Q 2016 | Annual CAP Inspection, IP 35007 (Criterion 16) Licensee Program For Managing Inspections, Tests, Analyses, And Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) Closure, IP40600 |

| ITAAC Inspections (IMC 2503) | |
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| Est. Date | Description |
| 3Q 2015 – 2Q 2016 | <p>The majority of ITAAC related inspections, for the next year, are expected to be associated with the following construction and fabrication activities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nuclear island construction (rebar/concrete in NI and inside containment) 2. Containment vessel (CV) fabrication 3. Shield building panel fabrication/installation 4. Structural and mechanical module fabrication 5. NSSS components receipt inspection <p>The NRC staff will also inspect other ITAAC activities (e.g. Protection and Safety Monitoring System and Human Factors Engineering development, type tests, and other ITAAC related work) at vendor facilities</p> |

Note: Inspection schedule is subject to change based on licensing and construction activities.