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Acceptance Letter for SNC's LAR-15-019, "Addition of New Turbine Building Sump Pumps to [Inspection, Test, Analysis, and Acceptance Criteria] ITAAC (CAC No. RP9522)," dated 8.26.16

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Mr. Brian H. Whitley, Director  
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SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE REVIEW OF SOUTHERN NUCLEAR OPERATING COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR LICENSE AMENDMENT (LAR 15-019) FOR THE VOGTLE ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT UNITS 3 AND 4: ADDITION OF NEW TURBINE BUILDING SUMP PUMPS TO [INSPECTION, TEST, ANALYSIS, AND ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA] ITAAC (CAC NO. RP9522)

Dear Mr. Whitley:

By letter dated December 22, 2015, as revised July 27, 2016, (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession Nos. ML15356A655 and ML16209A477, respectively), Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC/licensee) submitted a license amendment request (LAR 15-019) for the Combined License (COL) Numbers NPF-91 and NPF-92, for the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (VEGP) Units 3 and 4, respectively. The requested amendment would revise the COL Appendix C and corresponding plant-specific Tier 1 information to add two turbine building sump pumps to accommodate the increased flow that will be experienced during condensate polishing system rinsing operations, for each unit respectively. The proposed changes include information in the combined license, Appendix C. An exemption request relating to the proposed changes to the AP1000 DCD Tier 1 is included with the request.

The purpose of this letter is to provide the results of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff's acceptance review of the LAR. The acceptance review was performed to determine if there is sufficient technical information in scope and depth to allow the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review. The acceptance review is also intended to identify whether the application has any readily apparent information insufficiencies in its characterization of the regulatory requirements or the licensing basis of the plant.

Consistent with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Section 50.90, an amendment to the license must fully describe the changes requested, and follow as far as applicable, the form prescribed for original applications. Section 52.79 of the 10 CFR addresses the content of technical information required. This section stipulates that the submittal address the design and operating characteristics, unusual or novel design features, and principal safety considerations.

The NRC staff has reviewed your application against the regulatory requirements and has concluded that it provides sufficient technical detail to enable the NRC staff to complete its detailed review and make an independent assessment regarding the acceptability of the proposed changes in terms of regulatory requirements and the protection of public health and safety and the environment.

Given the lesser scope and depth of the acceptance review as compared to the detailed technical review, there may be instances in which issues that impact the NRC staff's ability to complete the detailed technical review are identified despite completion of an adequate acceptance review. You will be advised of any further information needed to support the NRC staff's detailed technical review by separate correspondence.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-3025 or [Chandu.Patel@nrc.gov](mailto:Chandu.Patel@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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