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SUBJECT: VIRGIL C. SUMMER NUCLEAR STATION UNITS 2 AND 3 — ISSUANCE OF  
AMENDMENT AND GRANTING OF EXEMPTION RE: PASSIVE CORE  
COOLING SYSTEM (PXS) CONDENSATE RETURN (LAR 16-06) (CAC NO.  
RG3015)

Dear Mr. Jones:

In response to your application dated November 18, 2016, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has granted the enclosed Exemption and issued the enclosed Amendment No. 61 to Combined License (COL) Nos. NPF-93 and NPF-94 for the Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station (VCSNS) Units 2 and 3, respectively.

The amendment authorizes changes to the VCSNS Units 2 and 3 Updated Final Safety Analysis Report in the form of departures from the incorporated plant-specific Design Control Document Tier 2 information and involves changes to COL Appendix A, Technical Specifications, and to COL Appendix C, Inspections, Tests, Analyses, and Acceptance Criteria. The amendments authorize changes to the licensing basis information to reflect an increase in the efficiency of the return of condensate utilized by the passive core cooling system to the in-containment refueling water storage tank to support the capability for long-term cooling.

The exemption is related to, and necessary for the granting of the license amendment, which is being issued concurrently with this exemption.

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

Sincerely,

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Docket Nos.: 52-027  
52-028

Enclosures:

1. Amendment No. 61 to VCSNS Unit 2 COL
2. Amendment No. 61 to VCSNS Unit 3 COL
3. Exemption for Unit 2 COL
4. Exemption for Unit 3 COL
5. Safety Evaluation

cc: See next page

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