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SUBJECT: NOTICE OF NO OBJECTION FOR PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT REQUEST
(PAR 15-17), "ADDITION OF NEW TURBINE BUILDING SUMP PUMPS," FOR
THE VIRGIL C. SUMMER NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 2 (CAC NO. RQ0456)

Dear Mr. Jones:

By letter dated March 6, 2017, the South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G), on behalf of itself and the South Carolina Public Service Authority, submitted a Preliminary Amendment Request (PAR) 15-17 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML17066A138) notifying the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) that, absent NRC's objection, pending the outcome of the NRC's detailed technical review of License Amendment Request (LAR 15-17), SCE&G will proceed with the installation of Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station, Unit 2 turbine building sump pumps and other related construction activities directly tied to pump installation, such as final alignment and anchoring of the pumps and installation of interconnecting piping and associated equipment.

As required by License Condition 2.D.(1), the NRC has received the LAR referenced in PAR 15-17. The staff has evaluated the license amendment documentation supporting LAR 15-17 and has determined on November 5, 2015, that there is sufficient information to accept LAR 15-17 for detailed technical review (ADAMS Accession No. ML15278A287).

The NRC staff has determined that PAR 15-17 contained sufficient information on the impact of the proposed plant change on associated Inspections, Tests, Analyses, and Acceptance Criteria. In addition, the NRC staff reviewed the scope of PAR 15-17 and found that it is consistent with the changes from the current licensing basis requested in LAR 15-17, Revision 0 and Revision 1 (ADAMS Accession Nos. ML15273A115 and ML16167A045). Therefore, the NRC has no objection to SCE&G proceeding with the construction of the proposed plant change identified in PAR 15-17, pending the outcome of the NRC's detailed technical review of LAR 15-17. SCE&G acknowledges that if LAR 15-17 is denied SCE&G will return the plant to its current licensing basis as required by License Condition 2.D.(1)(b).

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If you have any questions or comments concerning this matter, please contact the Lead Project Manager, William (Billy) Gleaves, at 301-415-5848 or via e-mail at Bill.Gleaves@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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Office of New Reactors

Docket Nos.: 52-027 and 52-028

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