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SUBJECT: VOGTLE ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT, UNITS 3 AND 4 – ISSUANCE OF  
AMENDMENT AND GRANTING OF EXEMPTION RE: CLASS 1E  
MOTOR-OPERATED VALVE TERMINAL VOLTAGE TESTING (LAR-17-018)  
(EPID NO. L-2017-LLA-0092)

Dear Mr. Whitley:

In response to your application dated August 30, 2017, and supplement dated January 12, 2018, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has granted the enclosed Exemption and issued the enclosed Amendment Nos. 121 and 120 to Combined License (COL) Nos. NPF-91 and NPF-92 for the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (VEGP) Units 3 and 4, respectively. The amendment consists of changes to the Updated Final Safety Analysis Report (UFSAR) and the COL Appendix C (and associated plant-specific Tier 1) Inspections, Tests, Analyses, and Acceptance Criteria information to prescribe voltage tests in conjunction with an analysis, rather than voltage testing only.

The exemption allows changes that impact Tier 1 of the plant-specific Design Control Document and Appendix C of the Facility COL as specified in License Amendment Request 17-018. This 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 staff's evaluation of the amendment and exemption, is also enclosed. The notice of issuance of the amendment and the exemption documents included in this letter will be published in the *Federal Register*.

Sincerely,

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Docket Nos.: 52-025  
52-026

Enclosures:

1. Exemption for License Amendment No. 121  
for VEGP Unit 3 COL
2. Exemption for License Amendment No. 120  
for VEGP Unit 4 COL
3. Amendment No. 121 to NPF-91
4. Amendment No. 120 to NPF-92
5. Safety Evaluation

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