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Subject: VIRGIL C. SUMMER NUCLEAR STATION
DOCKET NO. 50/395
Request for Public Comment on the Integrated Review of the
Assessment Process for Commercial Nuclear Power Plants
63 Federal Register 42439, dated August 7, 1998

Gary J. Taylor
Vice President
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Dear Sir:

South Carolina Electric and Gas (SCE&G) has reviewed the Federal Register Notice of August 7, 1998 that provides details of the NRC proposed Integrated Review of the Assessment Process for Commercial Nuclear Power Plants (IRAP). SCE&G has also reviewed the comments submitted to you by the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) dated October 6, 1998. Additionally, SCE&G participated in the NRC sponsored workshop on the new assessment process held on September 29 through October 1, 1998 in Bethesda, MD.

SCE&G fully endorses the comments submitted by NEI.

SCE&G also wishes to encourage the NRC to continue the cooperative effort with NEI and the Nuclear Power Industry to create a process that establishes objective performance measures and thresholds for assessing plant safety performance and is focused on safety significant results.

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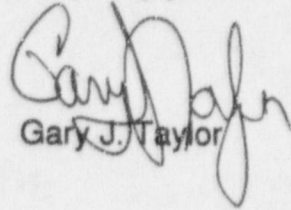
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Should you have any questions, please contact me or April Rice at (803) 345-4232.

Very truly yours,



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