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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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**Vogtle Electric Generating Plant
Request for Surveillance Test Interval Extensions
for Components of the Reactor Protection System**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

By Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) letter dated January 27, 2005, SNC proposed to revise Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (VEGP) Unit 1 and Unit 2 Technical Specifications (TS) by extending the Surveillance Test Intervals (STI) for components of the Reactor Protection System. The proposed changes will revise TS Limiting Conditions for Operation (LCOs) 3.3.1, 3.3.2, 3.3.6, and 3.3.8. Specifically, the Reactor Trip Breaker (RTB) bypass test time is relaxed from 2 hours to 4 hours, the completion time from 1 hour to 24 hours, and the Surveillance Frequency from 2 months to 4 months in TS LCO 3.3.1. The Surveillance Frequencies for the Logic Cabinet are relaxed from 2 months to 6 months, the Master Relays are relaxed from 2 months to 6 months, and the Analog Channels from 3 months to 6 months in TS LCOs 3.3.1, 3.3.2, 3.3.6, and 3.3.8.

In order to effectively implement this amendment, SNC is requesting a 60-day implementation period. This time period would allow us to optimize any required procedure changes, surveillance task sheets revisions, and surveillance scheduling. The requested time frame is based on discussions with the involved VEGP personnel and with industry personnel that have already implemented this change. The original submittal did not have an implementation time frame request.

(Affirmation and signature are on the following page.)

Mr. D. E. Grissette states he is a Vice President of Southern Nuclear Operating Company, is authorized to execute this oath on behalf of Southern Nuclear Operating Company, and to the best of his knowledge and belief, the facts set forth in this letter are true.

This letter contains no NRC commitments. If you have any questions, please advise.

Respectfully submitted,

SOUTHERN NUCLEAR OPERATING COMPANY



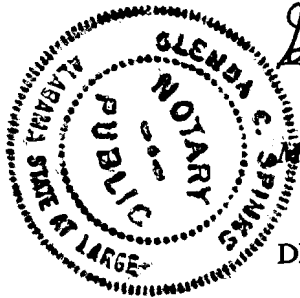
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th day of January, 2006.



Notary Public

My commission expires: 11/10/06



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