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October 20, 2006

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SUBJECT: HATCH NUCLEAR PLANT - NRC SECURITY INSPECTION REPORT  
05000321/2006009 AND 05000366/2006009

Dear Mr. Stinson:

On September 22, 2006, the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a security baseline inspection at your Hatch Nuclear Plant. Portions of the Access Authorization and Fitness For Duty inspection procedures were completed at the Southern Nuclear Company Corporate Office on August 11, 2006. The inspection covered one or more of the key attributes of the security cornerstone of the NRC's Reactor Oversight Process. The enclosed inspection report documents the inspection results, which were discussed with Mr. D. Burford, at the corporate office on August 11, 2006, and with Mr. D. Madison and other members of your staff at the site on September 22, 2006.

This inspection examined activities conducted under your license as they relate to security and compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of your license. The inspectors reviewed selected procedures and records, observed activities, and interviewed personnel.

Based on the results of this inspection no findings of significance were identified.

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Sincerely,

/RA/

Brian R. Bonser, Chief  
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Docket No.: 50-321, 50-366  
License No: DPR-57, NPF-5

Enclosure: NRC Inspection Report No. 05000321/2006009 and 05000366/2006009  
w/Attachment: Supplemental Information (**Safeguards Information**)

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