

August 22, 2007

Mr. Don L. Klima, Director  
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Office of Federal Agency Programs  
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SUBJECT: VOGTLE ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2, LICENSE  
RENEWAL APPLICATION REVIEW

Dear Mr. Klima:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff is reviewing an application to renew the operating licenses for Vogtle Electric Generating Plant, Units 1 and 2 (VEGP), which is located approximately 15 miles east-northeast of Waynesboro, Georgia and 26 miles southeast of Augusta, Georgia. VEGP is operated by Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Inc. (SNC). The application for renewal was submitted by SNC on June 29, 2007, pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 54 (10 CFR Part 54).

The NRC has established that, as part of the staff's review of any nuclear power plant license renewal action, a site-specific Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) to its "Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants," NUREG-1437, will be prepared under the provisions of 10 CFR Part 51, the NRC's regulation that implements the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). In accordance with 36 CFR 800.8(c), the SEIS will include analyses of potential impacts to historic and cultural resources.

The NRC staff plans to hold two public NEPA scoping meetings on September 27, 2007, at the Augusta Technical College Waynesboro Campus, 216 Highway 24 South, Waynesboro, GA. The first meeting will convene at 1:30 p.m. and will continue until 4:30 p.m., as necessary. The second meeting will convene at 7:00 p.m., with a repeat of the overview portions of the first meeting, and will continue until 10:00 p.m., as necessary. In addition, during the week of October 15, 2007, the NRC staff plans to conduct a site audit at VEGP. You and your staff are invited to attend both the public meetings and the site audit. Your office will receive a copy of the draft SEIS along with a request for comments. The anticipated publication date for the draft SEIS is May 2008.

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If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Environmental Project Manager, Mr. J.P. Leous, at 301-415-2864 or via e-mail at [jpl1@nrc.gov](mailto:jpl1@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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