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SUBJECT: VOGTLE ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT UNITS 3 AND 4—ISSUANCE OF  
AMENDMENT AND EXEMPTION RE: TIER 1 DEFINITION OF WALL  
THICKNESSES (LAR 12-008) (TAC NOS. RP9417 AND RP9418)

Dear Mr. Ivey:

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The exemption allows the implementation of changes to the UFSAR that depart from Tier 1 information in the AP1000 Certified Design Control Document as specified in License Amendment Request 12-008 and its supplements. Implementation of the amendment changes UFSAR Table 3.3-1 and revises the associated material included in Appendix C of each of the VEGP Units 3 and 4 COLs.

A copy of the related Safety Evaluation, which includes the evaluation of the amendment and exemption, is also enclosed. The notice of issuance of the amendment and the exemption documents included with this letter will be published in the *Federal Register*.

Sincerely,  
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Docket No(s): 52-025  
52-026

Enclosures:

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