



**UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**  
REGION II  
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April 11, 2013

Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Inc.  
ATTN: Mr. Robert J. Brown  
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**SUBJECT: VOGTLE NUCLEAR POWER PLANT - OPERATOR LICENSING - OPERATING  
EXAMINATION APPROVAL 05000424/2013301 AND 05000425/2013301**

Dear Mr. Brown:

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The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has completed its review of the operator license applications submitted in connection with this examination and separately provided a list of approved applicants to your office. The NRC staff will begin administering the operating tests to individuals, as applicable, during the weeks of April 15, 2013, and April 29, 2013. Note that any examination waivers and application denials have been addressed in separate correspondence.

This examination has undergone extensive review by my staff and representatives responsible for operator training at your facility. Based on this review I have concluded that the operating examination meets the guidelines of NUREG-1021 for content, operational, and discrimination validity. By administering this examination, you also agree that it meets NUREG-1021 guidelines, and is appropriate for measuring the qualifications of licensed operators at your facility. If you determine that this examination is not appropriate for licensing operators at your facility, do not administer the examination and contact me at (404) 997-4436.

Please contact the Chief Examiner, Mr. Richard S. Baldwin, at (404) 997-4642 if you have any questions or identify any errors or changes in license level (RO or SRO) or type of examination (operating test) specified for each applicant on the list of approved applicants.

Sincerely,

/RA by Malcolm T. Widmann for/

Mark E. Franke, Chief  
Operations Branch 2  
Division of Reactor Safety

Docket Nos.: 50-424, 50-425  
License Nos.: NPF-68, NPF-81

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