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SUBJECT: VOGTLE ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT – REACTOR AND SENIOR
REACTOR OPERATOR INITIAL EXAMINATIONS 05000424/2013301 AND
05000425/2013301

Dear Mr. Tynan:

During the period of April 15 to May 2, 2013, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) administered operating tests to employees of your company who had applied for licenses to operate the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant. At the conclusion of the tests, the examiners discussed preliminary findings related to the operating tests and the written examination submittal with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report. The written examination was administered by your staff on May 10, 2013.

Two Reactor Operator (RO) and six Senior Reactor Operator (SRO) applicants passed both the operating test and written examination. Five RO applicants and one SRO applicant passed the operating examination but failed the written examination. There were two applicants who passed the written examination and received pass letters. One license has been delayed pending any written examination appeals that may impact the licensing decision for their application and the other was delayed until the applicant meets the time requirements associated with the application.

There were no post-examination comments concerning the written examination. A Simulator Fidelity Report is included in this report as Enclosure 2.

The initial RO and SRO written examinations submitted by your staff met the guidelines for quality contained in NUREG-1021, Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors, Revision 9, Supplement 1, as described in the enclosed report.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document