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Mr. Samuel J. Chilk
Secretary of the Commission
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

ATTENTION: Docketing and Service Branch


Comments on Proposed Rule
"Reactor Site Criteria; Including Seismic and Earthquake Engineering
Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants"
(57 Federal Register 47802 of October 20, 1992)

Dear Mr. Chilk:

Southern Nuclear Operating Company has reviewed the proposed rule, "Reactor Site Criteria; Including Seismic and Earthquake Engineering Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants," published in the Federal Register on October 20, 1992. In accordance with the request for comments, Southern Nuclear Operating Company is in total agreement with the NUMARC comments which are to be provided to the NRC. In addition, we understand that certain foreign utilities have concerns that are consistent with NUMARC's positions, e.g., the lack of sound technical bases for the exclusion zone distance and the population density criteria.

Should you have any questions, please advise.

Respectfully submitted,


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