

Progress Energy Comments on the Department of Energy (DOE) Notice of Inquiry (NOI)
“Standby Support for Certain Advanced Nuclear Facilities”
(70 *Fed. Reg.*, 71107, November 25, 2005)

Progress Energy endorses the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) letter from Richard Meyers dated December 23, 2005, related to the DOE NOI “Standby Support for Certain Advanced Nuclear Facilities” (70 *Fed. Reg.*, 71107, November 25, 2005).

The referenced NEI letter incorporates specific feedback and comments from Progress Energy.

We believe that the Notice of Inquiry (NOI) industry response provided by the NEI letter is in accordance with both the intent and statutory requirements of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, “Standby Support and Next Generation Nuclear Plant Project Provisions”, Section 638, “STANDBY SUPPORT FOR CERTAIN NUCLEAR PLANT DELAYS.”

If there are any specific questions for Progress Energy regarding the NOI, please call Garry Miller (Manager-License Renewal, Progress Energy), at (919)546-6107.