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August 30, 2004

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ATTN: Mr. Stephen A. Byrne Senior Vice President, Nuclear Operations Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station P. O. Box 88 Jenkinsville, SC 29065

SUBJECT: MID-CYCLE PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND INSPECTION PLAN - VIRGIL C. SUMMER NUCLEAR STATION

Dear Mr. Byrne:

On August 4, 2004, the NRC staff completed its mid-cycle plant performance assessment of the Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station. The mid-cycle review for V. C. Summer involved the participation of all technical divisions in evaluating performance for the first half of the calendar year 2004 assessment cycle. The process included a review of performance indicators (PIs) for the most recent quarter and inspection results over the previous twelve months. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of our assessment of your safety performance during this period and our plans for future inspections at your facility. This will allow you an opportunity to prepare for these inspections and to inform us of any planned inspection plan do not include physical protection information. A separate mid-cycle performance review letter, designated and marked as "Proprietary Information in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390(d)(1)", will include the physical protection review and a resultant inspection plan.

Plant performance for the most recent quarter was within the Licensee Response Column of the NRC's Action Matrix, based on all inspection findings being classified as having very low safety significance (Green) and all PIs indicating performance at a level requiring no additional NRC oversight (Green). Therefore, we plan to conduct only baseline inspections at your facility through March 31, 2006. We also plan on conducting several activities which are not part of the routine baseline inspection program. These activities include a pilot engineering inspection in place of the baseline Safety System Design Performance and Capability (SSDPC) inspection and initial operator examinations.

The enclosed inspection plan details the inspections, less those related to physical protection, scheduled through March 31, 2006. The inspection plan is provided to minimize the resource impact on your staff and to allow for scheduling conflicts and personnel availability to be resolved in advance of inspector arrival onsite. Routine resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature. The inspections in the last twelve months of the inspection plan are tentative and may be revised at the end-of-cycle review meeting.

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If circumstances arise which cause us to change this inspection plan, we will contact you to discuss the change as soon as possible. Please contact me at 404-562-4510 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Summer Inspection/Activity Plan

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Number       Inspection Activity       Title       on Site       Start       End         EB1SSDPC - TI 2515/158 PRE-INSPECTION VISIT       2       2       1       IP 2515/158       Functional Review of Low Margin/Risk Significant Components and Human Actions       10/04/2004       10/08/2004       Safe         EB1SSDPC - PILOT ENGINEERING INSPECTION       7       7       7	Type fety Issues fety Issues fety Issues fety Issues
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PS-RP - RP PUBLIC BASELINE 5	
1IP 7112101Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas11/29/200412/03/2004Bas	seline Inspections
1IP 7112103Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment11/29/200412/03/2004Bas	seline Inspections
1IP 7112201Radioactive Gaseous and Liquid Effluent Treatment and Monitoring Systems11/29/200412/03/2004Bas	seline Inspections
1IP 7112203Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program11/29/200412/03/2004Bas	seline Inspections
I         IP 71151         Performance Indicator Verification         11/29/2004         12/03/2004         Bas	seline Inspections
EB2-ISI - INSERVICE INSPECTION 1	
1         IP 7111108P         Inservice Inspection Activities - PWR         04/18/2005         04/22/2005         Bas	seline Inspections
PS-RP - RP OCCUPATIONAL - WEEK 1 2	
1IP 7112101Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas04/25/200504/29/2005Bas	seline Inspections
I         IP 7112102         ALARA Planning and Controls         04/25/2005         04/29/2005         Bas	seline Inspections
1IP 7112202Radioactive Material Processing and Transportation04/25/200504/29/2005Bas	seline Inspections
1         IP 71151         Performance Indicator Verification         04/25/2005         04/29/2005         Bas	seline Inspections
EB2SGISI - STEAM GENERATOR ISI 1	
1         IP 7111108P         Inservice Inspection Activities - PWR         05/02/2005         05/06/2005         Bas	seline Inspections
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EB2-HS - HEAT SINK 1	
1 IP 7111107B Heat Sink Performance 05/23/2005 05/28/2005 Bas	seline Inspections

This report does not include INPO and OUTAGE activities. This report shows only on-site and announced inspection procedures.

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Unit			No. of Staff	f Planned Dates		Inspection
Number	Inspection Activity	Title	on Site	Start	End	Туре
	OL EP - EMER	GENCY EXERCISE	2			
1	IP 7111401	Exercise Evaluation		07/18/2005	07/22/2005	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111404	Emergency Action Level and Emergency Plan Changes		07/18/2005	07/22/2005	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		07/18/2005	07/22/2005	Baseline Inspections
	OL RQ - REQU	AL INSPECTION	2			
1	IP 7111111B	Licensed Operator Requalification Program		08/15/2005	08/19/2005	Baseline Inspections
EB2-MODS - MODIFICATIONS/10CFR50.59			4			
1	IP 7111102	Evaluation of Changes, Tests, or Experiments		10/03/2005	10/07/2005	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111117B	Permanent Plant Modifications		10/03/2005	10/07/2005	Baseline Inspections
OL PREP - INITIAL EXAM PREP			3			
1	V23212	SUMMER/EXAMS AT POWER FACILITIES		11/28/2005	12/03/2005	Not Applicable
OL EXAM - INITIAL EXAM			3			
1	V23212	SUMMER/EXAMS AT POWER FACILITIES		12/12/2005	12/16/2005	Not Applicable