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Comments and questions should be directed to the OMB reviewer listed below by October 22, 2003. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but assurance of consideration cannot be given to comments received after this date. OMB Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0066), NEOB-10202, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments can also be submitted by telephone at (202) 395-3087.

The NRC Clearance Officer is Brenda Jo. Shelton, 301-415-7233.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 12th day of September, 2003.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Beth St. Mary,**

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-321 and 50-366]

### Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Inc., et al., Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Inc. (the licensee) to withdraw its July 11, 2002, as supplemented by letter dated August 19, 2003, application for proposed amendment to Renewed Facility Operating License DPR-57 and to Renewed Facility Operating License NPF-5 for the Edwin I. Hatch (Hatch) Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2, located in Appling County, Georgia.

The proposed amendment would have revised the Technical Specifications (TSs) to delete TS 3.3.1.1.I.2, which requires returning the Oscillating Power Range Monitor to operable status within 120 days of discovering its inoperability.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on August 6, 2002 (67 FR 50959). However, by letter dated September 12, 2003, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated July 11, 2002, as supplemented by letter dated August 19, 2003, and the licensee's letter dated September 12, 2003, which withdrew the application for license amendment. Documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, Public File Area O1 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management Systems (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the internet at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams/html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should contact the NRC PDR Reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209, or 301-415-4737 or by email to [pdr@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr@nrc.gov).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 16th day of September 2003.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 030-06583]

### Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact Related to Issuance of a License Amendment of U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Byproduct Material License No. 45-09347-01 Commonwealth of Virginia; Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services

#### I. Summary

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering

terminating Byproduct Material License No. 45-09347-01 to authorize the release of the licensee's facilities in Richmond, Virginia for unrestricted use and has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) in support of this action.

The NRC has reviewed the results of the final survey of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services facility in Richmond, Virginia. The Commonwealth of Virginia was authorized by the NRC from June 7, 1972, until the present to use Nickel 63 and Hydrogen 3 in gas chromatographs for sample analysis. In 1996, 1997, 1998, and 1999, routine leak tests disclosed minor contamination of Nickel 63 chromatograph inlets and exits. Each time the device was removed from service and returned to the manufacturer for repair. There was no evidence of contamination beyond the device. In July 2003, the Commonwealth of Virginia ceased operations with licensed materials at the One North Fourteenth Street location in Richmond, Virginia, and requested that the NRC amend the license to remove this place of use. The Commonwealth of Virginia has conducted surveys of the facility and determined that the facility meets the license termination criteria in Subpart E of 10 CFR Part 20. The NRC staff has evaluated the Commonwealth of Virginia's request and the results of the surveys, and has developed an EA in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR part 51. Based on the staff evaluation, the conclusion of the EA is a FONSI on human health and the environment for the proposed licensing action.

#### II. Environmental Assessment

##### Introduction

The Commonwealth of Virginia has requested release, for unrestricted use, of their building located at One North Fourteenth Street, in Richmond, Virginia, as authorized for use by NRC License No. 45-09347-01. This license was issued on June 13, 1963, and later amended to authorize the Fourteenth Street location as a place of use on June 7, 1972, and amended periodically since that time. NRC-licensed activities performed at the Fourteenth Street location in Richmond, Virginia were limited to sample analysis. These activities were typically performed on bench tops. No outdoor areas were affected by the use of licensed materials. Licensed activities ceased completely in July 2003, and the licensee requested release of the facility for unrestricted