# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### **BEFORE THE COMMISSION**

In the Matter of	
SOUTHERN NUCLEAR OPERATING CO. )	Docket Nos. 52-025-COL and 52-026-COL
(Vogtle Electric Generating Plant Units 3 and 4))	
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### NRC STAFF ANSWER TO SNC MOTION

On February 16, 2012, Petitioners Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League, Center for a Sustainable Coast, and Georgia Women's Action for New Directions (Petitioners) filed "Petitioners' Motion to Stay The Effectiveness of the Combined License for Vogtle Electric Generating Plant Units 3 and 4 Pending Judicial Review." On February 22, 2012, licensee Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) filed "Southern Nuclear Operating Company's Motion To Strike Or, In The Alternative, Request For Page Limit Extension." The staff of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (Staff) does not support SNC's motion to strike to the extent it asserts that the page limits of 10 C.F.R. § 2.342 are applicable to the Petitioners' motion. However, the Staff does not oppose SNC's request for a page limit extension, provided that the Staff is accorded the same extension in the event SNC's request is granted.

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