August 12, 2008

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RE: Docket 2008-196-E: Support for Schedule Change

Dear Mr. Terreni:

I am writing in regards to the request by SCE&G for a rate increase to build two expensive nuclear reactors at the V.C. Summer site in Jenkinsville.

As outlined in the SCE&G application for a rate increase, this project is fraught with a host of risks and the real possibility that costs will spiral out of control, thus having an extremely bad effect on ratepayers.

Given the complexities of the case and its potential negative impacts to ratepayers and to the environment of South Carolina, I want to voice my support for the letter filed on August 6 by South Carolina Energy Users Committee ("SCEUC") and CMC Steel South Carolina ("CMC Steel"), in which they requested a change in the schedule for filing testimony and for the hearing in this matter.

SCEUC and CMC Steel present valid arguments for changing the schedule and I agree that the case warrants the extension requested. Interveners and the public deserve much more time to analyze the SCE&G filing and the new schedule proposed will serve that goal while allowing the PSC to make its decision by the end of February 2009.

Thanks very much for considering my views as the PSC deliberates the schedule change request.

Sincerely,

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