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South Carolina Department of Health & Environmental Control
Comments on the Scope of the EIS Review
Westinghouse Electric Co., LLC
Columbia Fuel Fabrication Facility

The SC Department of Health & Environmental Control appreciates the opportunity to provide comment on the scope of the Environmental Impact Statement being prepared for the Westinghouse Columbia Fuel Fabrication Facility for the relicensing of the plant.

The operations of the facility, since opening in 1969, has resulted in onsite environmental impacts, both radiological and chemical, to the soils, sediments and groundwater at the site. The EIS scope should broadly account for these past releases and consider process improvements and preventive measures and procedures necessary to adequately protect human health and the environment for the duration of a renewed license.

Community engagement is a critical component of the EIS, and robust community engagement should continue through the relicensing process.

The Department will make any information and data for the facility that is in the Department's files available to the NRC as needed to complete the EIS.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "G. Kendall Taylor".

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