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Unit 4 nuclear island basemat placed at Vogtle expansion

Construction progressing well at Units 3 and 4

ATLANTA – Nov. 21, 2013 – Georgia Power announced today the successful placement of the basemat structural concrete for the nuclear island at the Vogtle Unit 4 nuclear expansion site near Waynesboro, Ga. Unit 4 is the second of two units currently under construction at Plant Vogtle. This latest milestone marks a significant accomplishment in the construction of the project, among the first new nuclear units to be built in the United States in three decades. When complete, Plant Vogtle will be the only four unit nuclear facility in the country.

While maintaining focus on safety, quality and compliance, the basemat concrete placement was completed in just under 41 hours. The efficiency of this placement matches the best time achieved worldwide for this AP1000 activity. The Unit 4 placement encompassed approximately 7,000 cubic yards of concrete, which will serve as the foundation for all of the nuclear island structures, including the containment vessel and the shield building. It covered an area approximately 250 feet long and 160 feet wide at its widest point, and the concrete measured six feet in thickness.

Approximately 600 workers, including 500 craft workers representing the Building and Construction Trades, participated in this milestone as part of a coordinated effort between Georgia Power, Southern Nuclear, Westinghouse and CB&I.

The Unit 4 nuclear island has been fully formed and backfilled to grade elevation. The containment vessel bottom head (CVBH) and supporting CR10 cradle are completed and will be placed on the Unit 4 nuclear island following concrete curing. In parallel, the Unit 4 turbine building foundation has been completed and wall sections are currently being placed that also will take the turbine building to grade elevation.

“As we reach the midpoint in the historic construction of units 3 and 4, the visible progress at the site is setting the stage for a secure energy future for Georgia and the rest of the country,” said Buzz Miller, Georgia Power Nuclear Development Executive Vice President and President of Southern Nuclear Development. “The success today exemplifies the strong coordination as one team consisting of Georgia Power, Southern Nuclear, Westinghouse and CB&I. The efficiencies across the project are evident as we achieve significant milestones which boost the local economy and will bring value to Georgia Power customers for decades.”

The Vogtle 3 and 4 project is part of Georgia Power's long-term, strategic vision for providing safe, clean, reliable and affordable energy for Georgians for decades to come. It is the largest job-producing project in the state, employing approximately 5,000 people during peak construction and creating 800 permanent jobs when the plant begins operating.

Southern Nuclear, a subsidiary of Southern Company, is overseeing construction and will operate the two new 1,100-megawatt AP1000 units for Georgia Power and co-owners Oglethorpe Power Corporation, the Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia and Dalton Utilities. Georgia Power owns 45.7 percent of the new units.

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