

PLANT VOGTLE: LEGAL DECLARATION/STANDING
QUESTION AND ANSWER FACT SHEET

Q. What is the purpose of my participation in this intervention?

A. In order to intervene in the Plant Vogtle Early Site Permit (ESP) application process we must establish “standing.” To establish standing to participate, we must submit “declarations” from supporters who may be impacted by the Plant Vogtle expansion.

Q. What do I have to do to participate in this petition to intervene?

A. You must be a member-supporter of one of the participating organizations living within 40 miles of Plant Vogtle. We will prepare a declaration for your signature authorizing us to intervene on your behalf, which we will then submit to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

Q. Will I have to go to court?

A. No, the NRC intervention process requires intervenors to submit declarations instead of holding a hearing in court with live witness testimony.

Q. Do I need an attorney?

A. No, you do not need an attorney to participate in the petition to intervene. You will not be a party to the case; you are merely showing that the organization that you are a member of has your permission to assert your interest in the intervention.

Q. Will I incur any cost?

A. No, there will be no costs to you as an individual asserting an interest in the NRC proceeding.

Q. Will my electric utility cut off my power because of my participation in this petition?

A. No, your electric utility will not cut off your electricity or retaliate in any way for participating in the intervention process. The right to petition government by participating in the intervention is protected by the First Amendment of the Constitution. You cannot be punished for exercising your Constitutional rights.