

World of Energy named best educational attraction in SC

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SENECA — Duke Energy's World of Energy Education Center at Oconee Nuclear Station has been named the Official Best of Education Attraction of South Carolina and will be featured on the popular "OfficialBestOf.com" travel website.

According to Associate Producer Tonya Hanggi, the "Official Best Of" provides TV and Web viewers with the best places to visit in a growing number of states across America.

"Official Best Of" solicits nominations for "Best Of" selections on its website. Researchers then review print and online travel resources, consult with local convention and visitors' bureaus, chambers of commerce, and other experts to determine

which nominees or researched attractions will be named as a "Best Of."

"There are so many reasons why the World of Energy is the perfect choice for this distinction," Hanggi said. "We at Official Best of South Carolina believe Duke Energy's World of Energy provides a quality role model for other energy companies in the country to follow.

"Individuals and large groups can easily spend hours visiting the exhibits, and admission is free," she added. "The educational programs offered to students are terrific, as are the community events hosted there throughout the year."

The 15,000-square foot facility has dozens of exhibits that help explain the nuclear industry. Staff members are also avail-

able to answer questions. Adjacent to the facility, the picnic pavilion and walking trails are available for public use.

"It is an honor to be chosen for this distinction," Duke Energy spokeswoman Sandra Magee said. "I hope it encourages schools to schedule a visit to the World of Energy as their next field trip and the public to stop by and learn more about nuclear power."

For more information on nuclear power, visit the World of Energy. The facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from noon to 5 p.m. on Saturday. Visit www.duke-energy.com/worldofenergy for more information or watch the video, http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uo_mVoovv10.