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Cover: A worker grinds a weld on one of the new massive containment vessels being constructed at South Carolina Electric & Gas Company's Summer site. For more coverage of new construction, see the special section that starts on page 39. (Photo: Robert Clark/SCANA)



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