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**SUBJECT: PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT - REGULATORY CONFERENCE -
SURRY POWER STATION - DOCKET NOS. 50-280, 50-281**

Dear Mr. Christian:

This letter confirms the telephone conversation between Mr. David Sommers of your staff and Mr. Larry Garner of this office on October 24, 2001, concerning a meeting which has been scheduled for November 30, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the significance of the failed piston wrist pins and piston carrier bearings in the Number 3 Emergency Diesel Generator (EDG) which could have caused the EDG to fail if it had been called upon to operate for a prolonged period to mitigate accident scenarios involving the loss of offsite power. The finding associated with this issue is discussed in NRC Special Inspection Report Nos. 50-280, 50-281/01-06. Using the significance determination process, the NRC preliminarily determined the finding to be Yellow, i.e., an issue with substantial importance to safety, for both Unit 1 and Unit 2. In addition the meeting is to address two apparent violations associated with the inspection finding. The location of the meeting will be the Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Atlanta, GA 30303, room 24T20 on the 24th floor. This meeting is an open meeting.

Remote public observation of this meeting will be allowed from Two White Flint North, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852-2738, room B-5 on the 2nd floor. However, seating may be limited and will be assigned on a first-come basis. Interested members of the public should contact the meeting coordinators Mr. Gordon Edison at (301) 415-1448 or Mr. Larry Garner at (404) 562-4552 indicating their intention to attend by November 28, 2001. This will ensure that sufficient copies of meeting materials are available. Some portions of the meeting may be closed to public observation. Because meetings are sometimes canceled as a result of unforeseen circumstances, members of the public should contact a coordinator at the number shown above to confirm that this meeting will occur as scheduled.

Should you have any questions concerning this meeting, please contact me at (404) 562-4510.

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Sincerely,

/RA/

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