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July 7, 2004

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**SUBJECT: PUBLIC MEETING SUMMARY - HIGH ENERGY LINE BREAK (HELB)
OUTSIDE CONTAINMENT PROJECT UPDATE - OCONEE NUCLEAR
STATION - DOCKET NOS. 50-269, 50-270, 50-287**

Dear Mr. Jones:

This refers to the meeting conducted at the Region II Office, Sam Nunn Federal Center, 61 Forsyth Street SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303, on June 29, 2004, at 10:00 a.m. (EST). The meeting's purpose was to provide the NRC staff with an update of the HELB outside containment project. Enclosed are a list of attendees and the presentation handout.

The topics discussed during the meeting included a background of the HELB project, concerns involving a potential high energy line break in the east penetration room (EPR), a description of the HELB project in other plant areas, and a summary of completed and scheduled HELB project activities. The NRC requested additional information concerning: 1) the extent of ultrasonic tests that have been performed on main feedwater and main steam piping in the EPRs; 2) the schedule for increasing the frequency of ultrasonic testing of main feedwater and main steam piping in the EPRs; and (3) the approximate timeline for implementing proposed modifications to the EPRs.

In accordance with Section 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions concerning this meeting, please contact me at (404)562-4550.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures: 1. List of Attendees
2. Handout - High Energy Line Break Outside Containment Project Update

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