

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



Atomic Safety and Licensing Board

Herbert Grossman, Chairman  
Glenn O. Bright, Member  
Dr. Richard F. Cole, Member

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| In the Matter of               | ) | Docket Nos. 50-321-SP  |
|                                | ) | 50-366-SP              |
| GEORGIA POWER COMPANY, et al.  | ) |                        |
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| (Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant, | ) | (Spent Fuel Expansion) |
| Units 1 and 2)                 | ) |                        |

Order Setting Special Prehearing Conference

On August 15, 1979, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission published in the Federal Register a notice of a proposed issuance of an amendment to Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-57 and NPF-5 that had been issued to Georgia Power Company, Oglethorpe Electric Membership Corporation, Municipal Electric Association of Georgia, and City of Dalton, Georgia (the licensee) for the operation of the Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant, Units Nos. 1 and 2 (the facilities) located in Appling County, Georgia. 44 Fed. Reg. 47820. The proposed amendment would allow an increase in storage capacities of the spent fuel pools of from 840 to 3,181 fuel assemblies in Hatch No. 1 pool and from 1,120 to 2,845 fuel assemblies in Hatch No. 2 pool.

The notice provided that the licensee might file a request for a hearing and that any person whose interests might be affected by the proceeding might file a request for a hearing

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in the form of petition for leave to intervene pursuant to 10 C.F.R. §2.714 by September 14, 1979. On that date, a petition to intervene was received from Georgians Against Nuclear Energy (GANE), which was amended on October 4, 1979 to include an affidavit of a member claiming to reside approximately 44 miles from the facilities. The petition has been opposed by the licensee. An Atomic Safety and Licensing Board (Board) was designated to rule upon intervention petitions and requests for hearings. The members of the Board are Mr. Glenn O. Bright, Dr. Richard F. Cole and Mr. Herbert Grossman, who will serve as Chairman of the Board.

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 C.F.R. §2.751(a) the Board will conduct a special prehearing conference beginning at 9:30 a.m. on November 20, 1979, at Richard B. Russell Federal Building, L. D. Strom Auditorium, Lower Plaza, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. The parties to this proceeding, or their respective counsel, are directed to attend. At the special prehearing conference, in addition to considering the intervention petition, the parties should be prepared to discuss specific issues that might be considered at an evidentiary hearing and possible further scheduling in the proceeding.

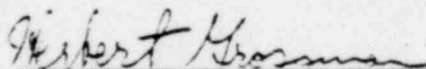
The petitioner shall file a supplement to the petition not later than 15 days prior to the special prehearing conference which shall include a list of specific contentions sought to be litigated in this proceeding. Petitioner, the licensee, and the staff are directed to consult with each other prior to that time in order

to attempt to arrive at some agreement with regard to the licensee's asserted deficiencies in the petition and the contentions to be framed by petitioner.

The public is invited to attend the prehearing conference. No oral limited appearance statements will be permitted at this conference. If a hearing is granted, opportunity for limited appearance statements will be afforded at subsequent evidentiary hearings near the site of the facilities. Written limited appearance statements may be mailed to the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C., 20555 or presented to the Board at the special prehearing conference or at any subsequent sessions of the evidentiary hearing.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING  
LICENSING BOARD

  
Herbert Grossman, Chairman

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland  
this 17th day of October, 1979

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