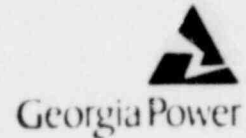


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ATTENTION: Mr. F. J. Long

Gentlemen:

The Georgia Power Company offers the following information in response to your letter dated November 29, 1978, describing apparent noncompliances with NRC requirements noted during your November 6 - 9, 1978, inspection of the Hatch Nuclear Plant.

Item of noncompliance 321/78-36-06 concerned the failure of plant personnel to meet procedural requirements concerning the possible inoperable status of the diesel generator serving the D-RHR pump. Although the error was that of personnel and not procedural, we feel more definitive instructions in MNP-8 (Maintenance Request Procedure) will help prevent further occurrences of this type. The procedure will be revised to include a requirement that the department supervisor and the shift supervisor, in their review of the maintenance request prior to the work being performed, look specifically at how the maintenance would affect the operability of safety equipment. The procedure revision is to be completed by January 20, 1979.

Item of noncompliance 321/78-36-07 concerned the failure of plant personnel to report the inoperability of 1E11-K126 time delay relay. The relay was found to be inoperable on April 12, 1978, and was repaired satisfactorily on June 27, 1978. Tech Specs require a 30 day written report for this condition. The error resulted from personnel not recognizing this failure as degrading the system operability. This item was reviewed with personnel to prevent further occurrences of this type.

The inspection report contains no information which is believed to be proprietary.

Very truly yours,

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