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Docket Nos. 50-424  
and 50-425

LICENSEE: Georgia Power Company, et al.  
FACILITY: Vogtle Electric Generating Plant, Units 1 and 2  
SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF MARCH 15, 1994, MEETING REGARDING STATUS OF VARIOUS  
LICENSING ACTIONS AND FUTURE SUBMITTALS

On March 15, 1994, the NRC staff met in Rockville, Maryland, with Georgia Power Company (GPC), et al. to review the status of various licensing actions on the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (Vogtle) that are presently being reviewed by the NRC. Meeting attendees are listed in Enclosure 1.

The agenda also included potential requests that GPC is considering submitting to the NRC in the future. Among numerous requests identified were Technical Specification (TS) changes based upon (1) round Class 1E batteries which have improved capacity with age, (2) revised diesel generator surveillance requirements to support replacing governors, (3) lower maximum power levels at which the plant can operate with inoperable main steam safety valves, (4) revised setpoint tolerances for the main steam safety valves, (5) switching to trisodium phosphate baskets inside containment for post-LOCA pH control, and (6) increased fuel enrichments.

GPC also discussed licensing actions submitted (or to be submitted) to the NRC that may qualify for consideration as cost beneficial licensing actions (CBLAs)--actions that have high cost for licensees but are of low safety significance and would otherwise be of relatively low NRC review priority. The NRC identified three documents available in the Public Document Room for detailed information about CBLAs:

- (1) Memorandum from S. Varga dated February 15, 1994, titled "Implementation of Tracking System for Cost Beneficial Licensing Actions,"
- (2) Memorandum from T. Murley dated September 17, 1993, titled "Cost Beneficial Licensing Actions," and
- (3) Memorandum from T. Murley dated June 6, 1993, titled "Priority Determination for NRR Review Efforts."

GPC stated that for the Vogtle plant, CBLAs are divided into three separate categories:

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- (1) Generic items that are typically handled through NUMARC, the rulemaking process, or the Owners Group licensing initiative. GPC identified, as examples, (i) reducing the fitness-for-duty testing from 100% to 50% of licensee employees, (ii) changing the annual emergency preparedness exercise to a biennial requirement, and (iii) relaxing slave relay testing.
- (2) Plant-specific items requiring prior NRC approval. Examples for Vogtle include (i) relocating area temperature monitoring requirements (TS 4.7.10) to the FSAR, (ii) revising surveillance requirements and cell float voltage to allow use of round batteries, and (iii) reducing the number of settlement monitors and the frequency of reading them.
- (3) Items that can be changed by the 10 CFR 50.59 process. GPC's examples include (i) revising the FSAR's oxygen purity requirement for catalytic recombiners to allow use of commercial grade oxygen, and (ii) changing the requirement for training inactive senior reactor operators from 40 to 8 hours when limited to fuel movement.

GPC identified certain changes in the engineering organization that are being considered at the Corporate office in Birmingham, Alabama. GPC also noted that design details for using nearby Plant Wilson as a preferred power source to Vogtle has been completed; a meeting will be scheduled in the near future to discuss these details and an associated change to add a 4160 volt breaker in an existing empty cubicle to allow transfer between trains.

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