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Docket Nos. 50-424 and 50-425  
License Nos. NPF-68 and NPF-81

Georgia Power Company  
ATTN: Mr. W. G. Hairston, III  
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: VOGTLE SPECIAL TEAM INSPECTION AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION  
(NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-424/90-19 AND  
50-425/90-19)

This refers to the inspection conducted by an NRC Special Inspection Team on August 6 through 17, 1990. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your Vogtle facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed inspection report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation of activities in progress.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice).

Although the inspection concluded that the facility was operated in a safe manner in accordance with the requirements of the operating license, we are concerned that there were several operational policies and programs where weaknesses were identified. As part of your response to the violations identified in the enclosed Notice, you are also requested to address each of the weaknesses listed in the inspection summary.

You are required to respond to this letter and Notice and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response to the violations. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

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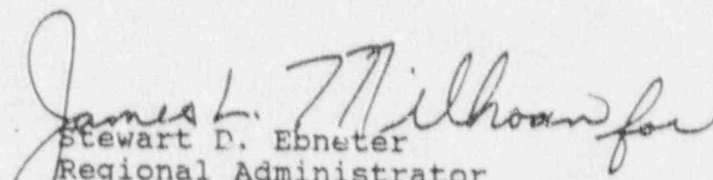
Additionally, you should respond to each of the operational weaknesses identified within the report. (These weaknesses are specifically annotated in the Inspection Summary.) The response should address your analysis of the significance of the weaknesses and your actions to ensure that these operational practices do not evolve into items of non-compliance or reduce the margin of safety for the plant.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and the enclosed Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, Pub. L. No. 96.511.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact us.

Sincerely,

  
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Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. Inspection Report 50-424/90-19;  
50-425/90-19

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