UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Before the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board

In the Matter of GEORGIA POWER COMPANY, et al.

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Re: License Amendment (Transfer to Southern

Nuclear)

(Vogtle Electric Generating Plant, Units 1 and 2)

ASLBP No. 93-671-01-0LA-3

Docket Nos. 50-424-OLA-3/

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GEORGIA POWER COMPANY'S RESPONSE TO THE BOARD'S MEMORANDUM AND ORDER CONCERNING THE DEPOSITION OF BILL SHIPMAN

The Licensing Board's Memorandum and Order (Deposition of Bill Shipman), LBP 94-24 (August 18, 1994), denied Intervenor's Motion to Compel GPC to Produce Bill Shipman (August 15, 1994) subject to the conditions that Georgia Power Company ("GPC") either (1) file with the Board an affidavit discussing why Mr. Shipman's willingness to attend a deposition should not be honored by the Board, or (2) state that Mr. Shipman will attend a deposition subject to specific conditions that are consistent with the Board's decision and are acceptable to Mr. Shipman.

Counsel for GPC has consulted with Mr. Shipman and his personal counsel and, collectively, have decided that Mr. Shipman will be made available for a deposition on Monday, August 22, 1994. GPC and Mr. Shipman, however, request that the deposition be subject to the following conditions:

1) The deposition be conducted in the Company's Birmingham

offices;1/

2) The Board's Chair monicor the deposition by telephone;

3) The deposition begin at 11:00 a.m. Central Time (12:00 Eastern Time) and continue for no more than four and a half hours,² with one-half hour reserved for NRC Staff and GPC questioning, and allowing additional time for breaks requested by Mr. Shipman;

 A transcript of the August 5 deposition² and a cross examination plan be made available to the Board;

5) Questions that have previously been asked and answered not be permitted; and

 No further deposition of Mr. Shipman be conducted in this proceeding.

¹/ GPC contemplates that Mr. Shipman, his counsel, GPC counsel and the court reporter would, at a minimum, be present in the Birmingham offices. GPC is agreeable to have Intervenor conduct, and the NRC Staff participate in, the deposition by telephone.

^{2'} This period of time is reasonable to Mr. Shipman and should be sufficient to Intervenor's counsel to conclude the deposition based on his statement at the end of the prior deposition that he was half-way through his questioning.

³⁷ This assumes that the court reporter is physically able to deliver a transcript to the Board's Chair before the deposition begins on August 22.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of "Georgia Power Company's Response to the Board's Memorandum and Order Concerning the Deposition of Bill Shipman," dated August 18, 1994, were served by deposit with an express mail delivery service, or by facsimile where indicated by and asterisk, upon the persons listed on the attached service list, this 18th day of August, 1994.

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