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Docket Nos. 50-321 50-366

> Mr. J.T. Beckham, Jr. Vice President-Nuclear Generation Georgia Power Company P.O. Box 4545 Atlanta, Georgia 30302

Dear Mr. Beckham:

SUBJECT: NUREG-0737 ITEM III.A.2.1

EMERGENCY PLAN UPGRADE TO MEET RULE

RE: EDWIN I. HATCH NUCLEAR PLANT UNITS 1 and 2

Enclosure 1 to NUREG-0737 identified Item III.A.2.1 as "Emergency Preparedness, Upgrade Emergency Plans to Appendix E, 10 CFR 50." It, also, stated that licensee emergency plan and procedure submittals were due 01/02/81 and 03/01/81 respectively, and that their onsite emergency preparedness program was to be implemented by 04/01/81. Plans and procedures have been received from you and your emergency preparedness programs have been implemented.

Following this, during the period March 1981 to April 1982, a comprehensive two-week onsite emergency appraisal was conducted at your site wherein deficiencies and improvement items were identified and a subsequent inspection report was issued. You have responded and corrective actions were taken. The NRC Regions are now verifying these actions through the normal inspection process.

Full scale exercises involving licensee, State and local government personnel, have been conducted at your site between April 1981 and April 1982. Again, you were required to take action as necessary to correct identified deficiencies and the NRC Regions are verifying the corrective actions taken through followup inspections, drills and exercises.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency evaluation of the status of offsite preparedness is a continuing process involving a review of State and local plans and the observation of full scale exercises, and culminates in a finding under their proposed rule 44 CFR 350. This process is supplementary to their findings for operating reactors as well as for NIOLs, as described in the NRC/FEMA Memorandum of Understanding, dated 11/04/80. For your

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plant the NRC has found that onsite and offsite emergency preparedness is adequate, that your emergency plans have been upgraded in accordance with NUREG-0737 Item III.A.2.1 and that there is reasonable assurance that prompt protective measures can and will be taken to protect the public. Therefore, we consider NUREG-0737 Item III.A.2.1 as complete for Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2.

Sincerely,

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