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Gentlemen:

VOGTLE ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT
REQUEST TO REVISE TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS
4.5.2.d AND 4.4.9.3.2 TO ALLOW REMOVAL
OF RESIDUAL HEAT REMOVAL SYSTEM SUCTION VALVE AUTOCLOSURE INTERLOCK

By letter dated November 20, 1991, Georgia Power Company (GPC) requested an amendment to the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (VEGP) Unit 1 and Unit 2 Technical Specifications which would allow the removal of the residual heat removal system (RHRS) suction isolation valve autoclosure interlock (ACI). In that amendment request, GPC committed to install an alarm which will actuate if any RHRS action isolation valve is open and the pressure of the reactor coolant system (1) exceeds a setpoint which is greater than the open permissive setpoint but less than the RHRS design pressure minus the RHRS pump developed head pressure. During a subsequent telephone conversation with the NRC staff reviewer, GPC committed to develop an annunciator response procedure for the new alarm which, upon receipt of the alarm, would direct the operator to close the valve(s) or reduce RCS pressure to less than the alarm setpoint. This procedure will be ready for use at the time the PHRS is returned to service after implementation of the design change to remove the ACI and add the alarm.

Sincerely,

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