Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Inc. ATTN: Mr. D. N. Morey Vice President P. O. Box 1295 Birmingham, AL 35201

SUBJECT: 1996 FARLEY EMERGENCY EXERCISE

Dear Mr. Morey:

This letter is in reference to discussions between James W. Hufham of our staff and Bob Vanderbye at the Farley site and Walt Lee at your corporate office confirming the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's participation in your 1996 emergency exercise that is scheduled for December 11, 1996. We appreciate this opportunity to participate because it has been several years since the NRC has been involved in an exercise with Farley. This participation will provide the NRC with a better understanding of the Farley response organization and response facilities. It will also provide an opportunity for an exchange of information about the NRC Incident Response Program and the Agency's role during an incident.

Mr. Hufham would like to meet with Mr. Vanderbye and Mr. Lee at the Farley site several months prior to the exercise to discuss the details of our planning process for exercises with NRC participation and provide you with the NRC Base Team and Site Team Organizations. In the meantime, if you have questions or need additional information, please call me at 404 331-331-5680.

Agair, we look forward to this opportunity to participate in your 1996 exercise.

Sincerely,

Original Signed

Albert F. Gibson, Director
Division of Reactor Safety

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