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**NRC LICENSING BOARD SETS PREHEARING
CONFERENCE ON GEORGIA TECH RESEARCH REACTOR**

An Atomic Safety and Licensing Board has scheduled a prehearing conference April 24 in Atlanta, Georgia, to discuss licensing issues involving the Georgia Tech research reactor.

The conference, which is open to the public, will begin at 2:00 p.m. at the U.S. Court of Appeals, Courtroom 338, 56 Forsyth Street.

Representatives of the Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech), Georgians Against Nuclear Energy (GANE), and the NRC staff will participate.

Georgia Tech has requested renewal of the research reactor's operating license for an additional 20 years. The Licensing Board has granted GANE's request to intervene and will consider its allegation that management problems at the facility render it unsafe.

Discussions at the conference will include the scheduling of witnesses for a hearing to start May 20 in Atlanta and obtaining stipulations concerning the authenticity of certain documents as well as admissions of fact.

Members of the Licensing Board are Charles Bechhoefer, chairman, Dr. Jerry R. Kline and Dr. Peter S. Lam.

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