

Federal Emergency Management Agency

Region IV 3003 Chamblee-Tucker Rd Atlanta, GA 30341

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Mr. Luis Reyes Regional Administrator - RII Nuclear Regulatory Commission 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Suite 23T85 Atlanta, Georgia 30323

Dear Mr. Reyes:

Enclosed is a copy of the final exercise report for the May 20, 1998, post plume phase exercise of the offsite radiological emergency response plans site-specific to the Hatch Nuclear Power Plant. This report addresses the evaluation of the plans and preparedness for the State of Georgia and the counties within the 50-mile Ingestion Emergency Planning Zone. The State of Georgia, Appling County and Wayne County participated in the exercise. The final exercise report was prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency Region IV staff. Copies of this report will be forwarded to the State of Georgia, FEMA Headquarters, and NRC Headquarters by my staff.

There were no Deficiencies or Areas Requiring Corrective Actions identified during the exercise.

Based on the results of the May 20, 1'98, exercise, the offsite radiological emergency response plans and preparedness for the State of Georgia and the affected local jurisdictions site-specific to the Hatch Nuclear Power Plant can be implemented and are adequate to provide reasonable assurance that appropriate measures can be taken offsite to protect the health and safety of the public in the event of a radiological emergency at the site.

The Title 44 CFR, Part 350, approval of the offsite radiological emergency response plans and preparedness for the State of Georgia offsite radiological emergency

response plans and preparedness site-specific to the Hatch Nuclear Power Plant, granted on May 5, 1991 will remain in effect.

If you should have any questions, please contact Don Cornell at 770/220-5470.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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