

ENCLOSURE 1

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Georgia Power Company
Hatch Units 1 and 2

Docket Nos. 50-321 and 50-366
License Nos. DPR-57 and NPF-5

During the NRC inspection conducted on April 18-20 and April 23 - May 20, 1988, violations of NRC requirements were identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (1988), the violations are listed below:

- A. Technical Specification 6.8.1.a requires that written procedures be established, implemented, and maintained as recommended in Appendix "A" of Regulatory Guide 1.33, Revision 2, February 1978.

Section 9.a of Appendix "A" of Regulatory Guide 1.33 recommends that maintenance that can effect the performance of safety-related equipment be performed in accordance with written procedures, documented instructions, or drawings appropriate to the circumstances.

Contrary to the above, on April 10, 1988, plant personnel backfilled the instrument reference leg for Unit 1 reactor water level transmitters 1B21-N080C and 1B21-N080D without specific instructions or procedural guidance. A full Reactor Protection System actuation occurred, and the Primary Containment Isolation System Group 2 outboard valves closed as a result of this backfilling operation. Since Unit 1 was in cold shutdown at the time of this event, an actual scram did not occur.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I).

- B. Unit 2 Technical Specification 3.6.1.1 requires that primary containment integrity be maintained while the unit is in Operational Conditions 1, 2, or 3. Without primary containment integrity, primary containment integrity is required to be restored within 1 hour or the unit is required to be in at least Hot Shutdown within the next 12 hours and in Cold Shutdown within the following 12 hours.

Contrary to the above, on April 15, 1988, Unit 2 primary containment integrity was inadvertently violated for approximately 1-3/4 hours during functional testing of the "A" Hydrogen Recombiner System while Unit 2 was in Operational Condition 1. Containment isolation valves 2T49-F002A and 2T49-F004A were opened for functional testing before the integrity of system piping had been demonstrated. A portion of the system's piping had previously been cut and welded to remove an obstruction.

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Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Georgia Power Company is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555, with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region II, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector, Hatch Nuclear Plant, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice. This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) admission or denial of the violation, (2) the reasons for the violation if admitted, (3) the corrective steps which have been taken and the results achieved, (4) corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further violations, and (5) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order may be issued to show cause why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Original signed by

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Dated at Atlanta, Georgia
this 10TH day of June 1988