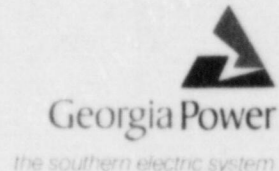


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PLANT VOGTLE - UNIT 1  
RESPONSE TO NRC INSPECTION REPORT

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Georgia Power Company (GPC) submits the following information in response to Inspection Report 50-424/87-19 for Vogtle Unit 1 concerning the inspection conducted by Mr. G. R. Wiseman of NRC Region II on February 23-27, 1987. One apparent violation was identified. A copy of this response to the subject report has been provided to NRC Region II for review.

A transcription of the NRC Notice of Violation is provided as Enclosure 1. GPC's response is provided as Enclosure 2.

Should you have any questions in this regard, please contact this office at any time.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

1. NRC Notice of Violation
2. Georgia Power Company Response

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ENCLOSURE 1 to SL-2299  
NRC NOTICE OF VIOLATION

GEORGIA POWER COMPANY  
PLANT VOGTLE UNIT 1  
LICENSE NO. NPF-68  
INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-424/87-19  
MARCH 27, 1987

VIOLATION 50-424/87-19-03

"Technical Specification Section 6.7.1.h requires written procedures to be established, implemented and maintained covering the fire protection program implementation.

- A. Georgia Power Company's Procedure 92010-C, Weekly Housekeeping Inspection, Sections 5.3.4 and 5.3.5 require that fire protection discrepancies identified by the weekly housekeeping inspection be addressed in a timely manner by responsible plant management personnel and that corrective actions to be taken eliminate the identified discrepancies.

Contrary to the above, on February 26, 1987, poor housekeeping conditions such as combustible cardboard, wood, plastic materials, and improperly supported and secured high pressure compressed gas cylinders were identified within safety-related plant areas of the auxiliary, fuel handling, and control buildings. These conditions had been identified by the licensee's fire protection staff during previous housekeeping inspections, in late January 1987, yet, no actions had been taken in several weeks to correct the identified fire protection discrepancies.

- B. Georgia Power Company's Procedure 00253, Smoking, Eating and Drinking Policy, prohibits smoking in restricted and posted plant areas by all employees at the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (VEGP) site.

Contrary to the above, on February 26, 1987, evidence indicated that smoking had occurred in several posted "No smoking" safe-shutdown plant areas within the Control and Auxiliary Buildings.

This is a Severity Level IV Violation (Supplement I)."

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RESPONSE TO VIOLATION 50-424/87-19-03

Admission or denial of alleged violation:

These events, which had minimal safety significance, did occur as stated in Inspection Report 50-424/87-19.

Reason for the violation:

Part A: This portion of the violation occurred as a result of appropriate personnel failing to follow procedure 92010-C "Weekly Housekeeping Inspection" with regard to correcting discrepancies identified during the weekly housekeeping inspections.

Part B: This portion of the violation was attributed to (1) procedure 00253-C "Smoking, Eating, and Drinking Policy" not clearly defining designated areas and (2) Vogtle Unit 2 construction personnel required to support Vogtle Unit 1 activities not being cognizant of Nuclear Operations requirements in this regard.

Corrective steps which have been taken and the results achieved:

Part A: A meeting was held between the Manager General Support and fire protection engineers to coordinate assignment of responsibilities to correct identified discrepancies. This action has demonstrated a marked improvement in correcting discrepancies identified by the weekly housekeeping inspections.

Part B: On March 6, 1987, the Plant Manager issued a memo to all personnel entering the protected area, emphasizing the smoking, eating and drinking policy and each individual's responsibility to report any violation of the policy. Additionally, the memo addressed disciplinary action for failure to follow the policy.

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It should be noted that an allegation (RII 87-A-0036) concerning an event similar to this violation was addressed in NRC site resident inspectors' report, NRC Inspection Report 50-424/87-12 and 50-425/87-08, dated April 3, 1987. The allegation was closed based on a plant tour made by the NRC site resident inspector who noted that "the infractions are considered minor with the appropriate action in progress by the licensee."

Corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further violations:

Part A: Individuals responsible for correcting discrepancies will be informed that it will be necessary to notify fire protection engineers of corrective action taken or to resolve problems with fire protection engineers. Procedure 92010-C is being revised to better define a time frame for required completion of corrective actions.

Part B: Procedure 00253-C is being revised to clarify the smoking, eating and drinking policy.

Date when full compliance will be achieved:

The revisions to procedures 92010-C and 00253-C will be completed by May 30, 1987.