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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR COMMENT ON THE DRAFT PLANT-SPECIFIC SUPPLEMENT
TO THE GENERIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT REGARDING
EDWIN I. HATCH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

Dear Mr. Sumner:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has completed the draft plant-specific supplement to NUREG-1437, "Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants [GEIS]," regarding the renewal of operating licenses DPR-57 and NPF-5 for the Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2 for an additional 20 years. Enclosed is a copy of the report for your review and comment.

The draft report will be filed with the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on November 3, 2000, and a notice of availability will subsequently be published by the EPA in the *Federal Register*. Any comments on the draft plant-specific supplement to the GEIS should be addressed to:

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Comments may also be submitted electronically to the NRC at hatcheis@nrc.gov. The comment period will end on January 24, 2001. A public meeting will be held in Vidalia, Georgia, on December 12, 2000, regarding the draft report. A separate notice of availability will also be

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published in an upcoming *Federal Register* notice by the NRC, along with details regarding the December 12th public meeting.

Sincerely,

/RA/ Signed by A. Kugler

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