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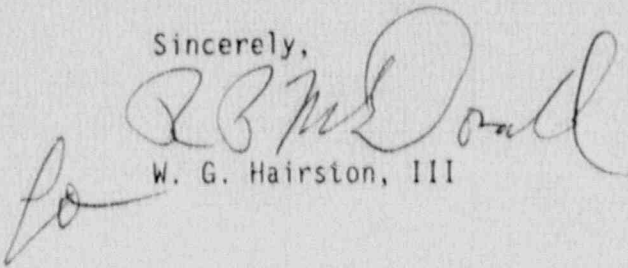
VOGTLE ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT  
REPLY TO INSPECTION REPORT 50-425/1989-037

In our reply to Inspection Report 50-425/1989-037, Georgia Power Company stated all overdue validation evaluations of calibration instrumentation identified as of November 3, 1989, would be completed by February 27, 1990. In reviewing our commitment tracking records, we determined that all overdue evaluations have been completed with one exception. This exception is an evaluation of VP-2693, a Heise Model 901-A digital pressure indicator. The evaluation was initiated on 5/31/89 and affects Unit 2 Reactor Coolant System flow transmitters 2FT-435 (Loop 3) and 2FT-414 (Loop 1). A high potential for tripping the reactor exists if the required recalibration of these transmitters is attempted while above 50% of rated thermal power. It should be noted that the coincidental RCS flow channels and other instrument channels which utilized the same instrumentation for calibration have been checked with no apparent out-of-calibration conditions.

It is our intent to delay the recalibration of the flow transmitters until the first refueling outage for Unit 2. Therefore, full compliance with the violation will not be achieved until November, 1990, when the evaluation of VP-2693 is completed.

If there are any questions, please contact my office.

Sincerely,

  
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