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REFERENCE:  
RII: HCD  
50-366  
Inspection Report  
83-02

ATTENTION: Mr. James P. O'Reilly

GENTLEMEN:

Georgia Power Company (GPC) herein submits the following information in response to I&E Inspection Report 50-366/83-02 concerning the findings of Mr. R. V. Crljenjak during the period of December 20, 1982 to January 21, 1983. This report was in regard to the failure to submit a special report as required by Technical Specification 3.7.6.1. One violation was identified and considered applicable to Plant Hatch Unit 2.

VIOLATION:

Technical Specification 3.7.6.1 requires that a special report shall be submitted by telephone within 24 hours if more than one water supply of the fire suppression water system is inoperable. Each water supply must have a minimum contained volume of 270,000 gallons.

Contrary to the above, on December 31, 1982, a 24 hour telephone report was not submitted within 24 hours when both water supplies to the Fire Suppression Water System were below the Technical Specification requirement of 270,000 gallons for each supply. This is a repetitive occurrence (last previous occurrence on November 27, 1982).

This is a Severity Level V Violation (Supplement I).

RESPONSE:

Admission or denial of alleged violation: The violation occurred.

Reason for violation: The event was caused by a Unit 1 equipment malfunction that resulted in the decrease of fire tank level for Unit 2. Operating personnel evaluated the results of this malfunction as related to Unit 1, but failed to make a proper evaluation of the event as related to Unit 2 requirements. The failure to maintain tank level was caused by a 1A cooling tower deluge system trip, and the evaluation conducted was centered around the failure of the Unit 1 equipment. It was not until reviews were conducted on January 3, 1983 that the failure to take actions required by the Unit 2 Technical Specification was noted.

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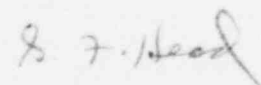
Corrective steps which have been taken and results achieved: As noted in the Inspection Report, GPC reviews noted the failure to make the required telephone report for the December 31, 1982 event until January 3, 1983. The findings of this review resulted in the delayed telephone report being submitted at 12:40 p.m. on January 3, 1983. This telephone report was followed up with the required 14-day written report on January 11, 1983.

Corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further violations: All SRO licensed personnel have been instructed to complete an evaluation of actions to be taken for both units when an event occurs that affects shared equipment. In addition, Shift Supervisors and Operation Supervisors have been instructed to increase communications between their positions for all abnormal or off-normal events. These instructions have been relayed to each licensed SRO by an interdepartmental memo.

Date when full compliance will be achieved: Full compliance was achieved on January 11, 1983, when the required telephone notification and 14-day report follow-up were completed.

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please contact this office.

Very truly yours,



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