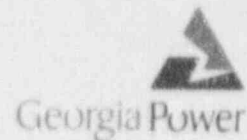


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MODIFICATIONS TO TIP ROOM ACCESS CONTROLS

Gentlemen:

In letter dated May 15, 1991, Georgia Power Company (GPC) provided a description of the corrective actions enhancing the controls governing personnel access to the traversing incore probe (TIP) rooms as part of GPC's response to Inspection Report 91-05. GPC committed to enhance the TIP room access controls and these actions have been implemented in accordance with GPC's commitment.

Subsequently, GPC has determined that an alternative method providing an equivalent level of positive access control is warranted. Consequently, GPC is providing notification of a planned modification to the current TIP room access controls. A description of the new controls is provided as follows:

The TIP room access doors for both units will be modified to install a double lock arrangement on each door. The key to one lock will be retained and controlled by the Health Physics Department with the other key retained and controlled by the Operations Department. Additionally, the Operations TIP room door key will be affixed to the same key ring as the TIP control key. A person requesting access to the TIP room will be required to obtain the single key ring retaining the TIP room door key and the TIP control key. While access is required, Operations will place a clearance on the applicable TIP system and the requester will obtain a subclearance on this clearance. The requester will then be required to obtain the Health Physics TIP room door key from the Health Physics foreman in order to access the TIP room.

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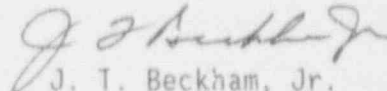
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The appropriate Operations and Health Physics procedures will be revised to incorporate the new access controls described above. The new access controls will be implemented on or before January 15, 1993. These new controls will remain in effect until other equally effective methods are identified and implemented.

If you have any questions in this regard, please call this office.

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