

January 17, 1997

Georgia Power Company
ATTN: Mr. C. K. McCoy
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SUBJECT: NRC INTEGRATED INSPECTION REPORT (IR) 50-424/96-12, 50-425/96-12

Dear Mr. McCoy:

On December 21, 1996, the NRC completed an inspection at your Vogtle Units 1 and 2 reactor facilities. The enclosed report presents the results of that inspection.

During the six-week period, your conduct of activities at the Vogtle facility was generally characterized by safety-conscious operations, sound engineering and maintenance practices, and appropriate radiological work controls. However, one violation was identified regarding improperly secured safety-related motor control center door latches. This issue was identified earlier and documented in NRC IR 50-424,425/96-09 dated September 16, 1996. We are concerned about the issue due to the possible impact that a seismic event may have on the motor control center's ability to perform. Seismic qualification testing was performed on the motor control center with the doors secured which is contrary to the conditions identified during plant walkdowns.

This violation is cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice), and the circumstances surrounding the violation are described in detail in the enclosed report. Please note that you are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. The NRC will use your response, in part, to determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, its enclosures, and any reply will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR).

Sincerely,

(Original signed by Pierce H. Skinner)

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Docket Nos. 50-424 and 50-425
License Nos. NPF-68 and NPF-81

Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. Inspection Report 50-424/96-12, 50-425/96-12

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