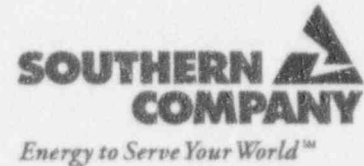


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Docket Nos. 50-321
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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: Document Control Desk
Washington, D. C. 20555

Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant
Transfer of NPDES Permit

Gentlemen:

Please find enclosed a copy of a document received from the State of Georgia Environmental Protection Division approving the transfer of the Hatch Nuclear Plant NPDES Permit (No. GA0004120) from Georgia Power Company to Southern Nuclear Operating Company. The permit transfer was requested in conjunction with the reassignment of the Hatch Nuclear Plant Facility Operating Licenses from Georgia Power Company to Southern Nuclear Operating Company.

This submittal is made in accordance with Section 3.2 of the Hatch Nuclear Plant Environmental Protection Plan, Appendix B to Facility Operating Licenses Nos. DPR-57 and NPF-5.

Should you have questions or comments, please advise.

Sincerely,

H. L. Sumner, Jr.

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Enclosure: Hatch Nuclear Plant NPDES Permit No. GA 0004120

cc: Southern Nuclear Operating Company
Mr. P. H. Wells, Nuclear Plant General Manager
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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C.
Mr. K. N. Jabbour, Licensing Project Manager-Hatch

U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region II
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April 15, 1997

Mr. Wayne C. Carr
Southern Nuclear Operating Co., Inc.
Post Office Box 1295
Birmingham, Alabama 35201-1295

RE: Georgia Power Company - Plant Hatch
NPDES Permit No. GA0004120

Dear Mr. Carr:

We have received your March 18, 1997 request to transfer this permit to Southern Nuclear Operating Company. This transfer is hereby approved. A revised cover page for the NPDES permit is enclosed.

The permit expiration date remains October 31, 1997. All terms and conditions of the Permit are unchanged.

Sincerely,



Harold F. Reheis
Director

HFR:dcmh

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Billy Wayne Sykes