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MORGAN FALLS HYDRO PROJECT, FERC PROJECT #2237

Preliminary Licensing Proposal Development Meetings Agenda,
DRAFT Enhancements Straw Man Proposal, and
Meetings RSVP

Dear Secretary Salas:

In order to augment the Morgan Falls Integrated Licensing Process for stakeholders, Georgia Power is holding Preliminary Licensing Proposal (PLP) development meetings scheduled for July 24 - 26, 2006. Though not required by Commission regulations, Georgia Power is conducting the meetings for the purpose of considering proposed project operations and maintenance as well as potential protection, mitigation and enhancement measures for affected resource areas. Georgia Power will file the PLP by October 2, 2006, and subsequently begin final preparation of the license application and environmental analysis.

Through this correspondence Georgia Power is providing an Agenda for the PLP development meetings (Attachment A). As you will note three full days have been set aside for the meetings; however it is possible that the meetings will not require all three days.

As suggested by the Commission, Attachment B is a draft enhancements proposal, or straw man, intended to foster discussion and stakeholder input at the PLP development meetings. The proposal is a preliminary cut at measures that may ultimately be provided in the PLP in accordance with Commission regulations found at 18 CFR § 5.16(b)(2). The proposal is subject to revision based upon stakeholder input, subsequent relicensing activities, Commission determinations, and the exercise of various resource agency authorities pursuant to 18 CFR §§ 5.23 through 5.26.

As with the April final study report results meetings, due to Company security policy requirements all stakeholders attending the PLP development meetings must RSVP for each day of attendance. PLP Development Meeting RSVPs Must be Received No Later than Noon Thursday, July 20, 2006. For security clearance and to assure your ease of entry at the corporate office, please RSVP to Wanda Williams at (404) 506-7761 or wfwillia@southernco.com as soon as possible.

Georgia Power values the involvement of stakeholders in the Morgan Falls relicensing, and looks forward to continued participation as we approach the February 28, 2007 license application filing deadline. If you have questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at (404) 506-1357 or gamartin@southernco.com.

Sincerely,



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Attachments

Attachment A

PLP Development Meetings Agenda



INTEGRATED LICENSING PROCESS
PLP Development Meetings

241 Ralph McGill Boulevard NE
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Agenda

8:30am MONDAY, JULY 24, 2006

First Floor, J. K. Davis Conference Center, Room #7

Welcome & Introductions	<i>George Martin & All</i>
Meeting Purpose & Background	<i>Tom Sullivan</i>
Draft Enhancement Straw Man Overview	<i>George Martin</i>
Enhancement Measure Discussion	<i>Tom Sullivan & All</i>

The discussion of potential enhancement measures will begin with the appropriate GPC subject matter expert describing the resource area benefits and project geography of each proposed draft enhancement measure as provided July 13, 2006. Meeting attendees will continue discussing potential resource area protection, mitigation and enhancement options. The resource areas under consideration are: Geology & Soils; Water Resources; Fish & Aquatics; Wildlife & Botanical; Wetlands; Riparian & Littoral Habitat; RTE Species; Recreation & Land Use; and Cultural Resources.

(Lunch will be provided at noon and breaks will be taken as needed.)

Enhancement Measure Discussion (cont.)	<i>All</i>
Monday Summary	<i>Tom Sullivan</i>
Next Steps & Closing Remarks	<i>George Martin</i>

**MORGAN FALLS
INTEGRATED LICENSING PROCESS
Study Results Meetings
*Agenda***

(Continued As Necessary from Monday July 24, 2006)

**8:30am TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2006
First Floor, J. K. Davis Conference Center, Room #7**

Welcome & Introductions	<i>George Martin & All</i>
Recap of Monday's Discussion	<i>Tom Sullivan</i>
Enhancement Measure Discussion (cont.)	<i>All</i>
Monday Summary	<i>Tom Sullivan</i>
Next Steps & Closing Remarks	<i>George Martin</i>

(As necessary, discussion will continue as above on Wednesday 7/26/06.)

Attachment B

PLP Draft Enhancements Proposal

Morgan Falls Integrated Licensing Process
Preliminary Licensing Proposal
DRAFT
Enhancements Proposal
July 13, 2006

Please note that this proposal is in DRAFT form and subject to change as a result of stakeholder input, subsequent relicensing activities, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission determinations and the exercise of various agency authorities pursuant to 18 CFR §§ 5.23 through 5.26. The purpose of this document is to foster discussion at the upcoming July 2006 Morgan Falls PLP development meetings.

Environmental Measures

In accordance with Commission regulations found at 18 CFR § 5.16 (b)(2), Georgia Power proposes, for discussion, the following measures for protection, mitigation and enhancement of resources at the Morgan Falls Project:

- Continue operating the Morgan Falls Project in a modified run-of-river mode for the purposes of (1) re-regulating peaking flows from upstream Buford Dam for drinking water supply and treated wastewater assimilation from metropolitan Atlanta to protect water quality; and (2) power generation. Georgia Power will continue to operate the project to support the Atlanta Regional Commission's Water Management System for the Chattahoochee River, drawing upon the limited usable storage of the project impoundment to the extent possible to smooth Buford Dam flows during off-peak periods
- Redevelop the tailrace public access area in coordination with local authorities to improve recreation resources
- Address invasive, exotic terrestrial vegetation (bamboo) with the goal to restore native vegetation within specific riparian areas of the project boundary
- Coordinate with the Georgia Department of Natural Resources and the National Park Service in the management of shoal bass, a state species of concern, within the project area
- Assist the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, the National Park Service and the Chattahoochee Nature Center in considering the development of a bald eagle management plan potentially resulting from the federally threatened species' utilization of project areas
- Assist the National Park Service with overall direction, coordination and management of the Georgia aster, a federal candidate species, within the Gold Branch transmission corridor

- Support the Chattahoochee Nature Center project to enhance environmental education opportunities for school children and the public within the project boundary through restoration of the Center's river wetlands boardwalk
- Enhance canoe portage at the Morgan Falls dam
- Enhance wildlife resources by installing various features such as duck boxes, blue bird houses and osprey nesting perches within the project boundary
- Protect historic properties within the project boundary by implementing the Programmatic Agreement and Historic Properties Management Plan developed for the project
- Consult with National Park Service regarding site improvement efforts at its Ivy Mill historic interpretive site adjacent to the project at Vickery Creek
- Establish historic interpretation at significant points of interest in the project area such as the Hightower Trail and historic hydro resources

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