



June 6, 1978

Mr. Charles Kaplan
U. S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region IV
345 Courtland Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

RE: NPDES Permit FL 000 2283, Scholz Electric Generating Center,
Request For Change in Monitoring Requirements

Dear Mr. Kaplan:

Gulf Power Company was issued the above referenced NPDES Permit on December 31, 1975. Since March of 1976, we have been regularly monitoring and reporting various waste streams as required by the permit including a once per month sample of ash pond effluent for metals analysis. While no specific permit limit exists on concentrations of metals in the ash pond effluent, there has been no occurrence of unusually high monitoring results.

The NPDES Permits for Gulf Power Company's other two electric generating centers, Crist and Lansing Smith, require metals monitoring of the ash pond effluent on the schedule of once per quarter. Based on historical analytical results which show no problems and Part III.B. of the Scholz Permit which allows changes in monitoring requirements, we request the metals sampling frequency of NPDES Permit FL 000 2283 be changed from once per month to once per quarter. This makes the Scholz Permit consistent with the Crist and Lansing Smith Permits.

If you should need any further information pertaining to our request, please call.

Sincerely,


G. O. Layman
Director, Power Supply

LRH/mf

cc: Mr. M. Bryant
Mr. R. V. Kriegal

