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September 21, 1992

Ms. Tammy Moore, Chief
South Area Permits Unit
Water Management Division
United States Environmental Protection Agency
345 Courtland Street, Northeast
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

RE: Request for State Certification
Gulf Power Company
Scholz Electric Plant / FL0002283

Dear Ms. Moore:

On June 4, 1992, the EPA requested that the Department issue a certification under Section 401 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to the Gulf Power Company for discharges from the Scholz Electric Generating Plant in Jackson County, Florida (FL0002283).

The Department is currently negotiating terms for an industrial wastewater operation permit with Gulf Power Company for this facility. Several substantive changes to the specific conditions of the previous state permit are anticipated, including limits on radioactive substances and monitoring for metals on the intake water. Such limits are not contained in the NPDES permit as currently drafted. For this reason we request the EPA place the certification request for this facility on hold for up to one year.

Please contact me if you have any questions about the certification for this facility.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Heilman, P.E., Chief
Bureau of Water Facilities
Planning and Regulation

REH/jmp

cc: Bobby Cooley, Northwest District