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**Subject:** U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Dominance Financing,  
Completion of Environmental Review for a Demand Side Management  
(DSM) Program, Georgia

Dear Burns Wetherington:

The United States Department of Energy (DOE), Office of Energy Dominance Financing (EDF) has issued a Federal loan guarantee to Georgia Power Company (GPC) pursuant to DOE's authority under Title XVII of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, as amended. The loan guarantee to GPC is intended to provide financing for many projects over the life of the Federal loan guarantee. Each project is reviewed and considered individually prior to being approved for financing under the Federal loan guarantee. GPC has identified a Demand Side Management (DSM) Program (the Project) for customers throughout GPC's service area, for potential inclusion in the loan guarantee.

GPC implements DSM, a set of interconnected programs that allows its customers (residential and commercial) to manage their energy usage. Specifically, DSM helps customers conserve energy and save on their energy bills year-round while creating a more flexible and efficient power grid. DSM programs aim to lower electricity demand, which in turn avoids the cost of building new generators and transmission lines and saves customers money. Residential and commercial programs under the DSM are available to GPC customers throughout its service area.

GPC's DSM is a series of customer programs and incentives and DSM implementation is not associated with specific project facilities or sites. The Project proposed for Federal financing does not require any new facilities to be constructed, modifications to existing facilities, or ground disturbance.

EDF, in coordination with GPC, identified that the following environmental reviews and consultations are required by the applicable and relevant environmental statutes and Executive Orders (EOs) associated with its proposed Federal financial support:

1. Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (16 USC 1536)
2. Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (54 USC 306108)
  - a. Executive Order 13175, Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments

EDF completed the environmental reviews and consultations associated with the Project, as summarized below.

***Section 7, Endangered Species Act (16 USC 1536)***

As the project would not require any physical construction or ground disturbance, no impacts are anticipated on any physical or biological resources. Therefore, in accordance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, EDF's review of the Project found that there would be no effect to designated critical habitat or threatened and endangered species.

***Section 106, National Historic Preservation Act (54 USC 306108) and EO 13175***

As the project would not require any physical construction or ground disturbance, no impacts are anticipated on any physical or cultural resources. Therefore, in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), EDF's review of the Project found that the Project has no potential to cause physical effects on historic properties or other cultural resources.

**Conclusion**

EDF notes that GPC is responsible for obtaining permits, approvals, and/or authorizations required for the construction and/or operation of the Project.

With this letter, EDF confirms that it has completed the environmental reviews and consultations required by the applicable and relevant environmental statutes and EOs associated with its proposed Federal financial support.

Respectfully,

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