Department of Energy
Southeastern Power Administration
Elberton, Georgia 30635-6711

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION (CX) DETERMINATION

PROPOSED ACTION: Proposed rate adjustment for the Georgia-Alabama-South Carolina System of Projects.

LOCATION: Georgia-Alabama-South Carolina System of Projects

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED ACTION: Southeastern Power Administration is proposing new rate schedules to replace existing rate schedules for Southeastern's Georgia-Alabama-South Carolina System. Existing rate schedules are approved through September 30, 2012. The new rate schedules would become effective October 1, 2010.

The Georgia-Alabama-South Carolina System of Projects consists of ten projects in the states of Georgia, Alabama, and South Carolina. Power is marketed in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, South Carolina, and North Carolina. Total Capacity available from the projects is 2,429,000 kilowatts. Of this amount, 2,184,232 kilowatts is allocated to preference customers.

Southeastern is proposing to increase rates in the Georgia-Alabama-South Carolina System by 9.6 percent. The new rates would be effective for the period from October 1, 2010, up to September 30, 2015.

CX TO BE APPLIED (from Section D, DOE NEPA Guidelines)**:** Appendix B4.3 – Rate changes for electric power, power transmission, and other products or services provided by a Power Marketing Administration that are based on change in revenue requirements if the operations of generation projects would remain within normal operating limits.

I have determined that the proposed action meets the requirements for the CX reference above. Therefore, I have determined that the proposed action may be categorically excluded from further NEPA review and documentation.

Issued:

Kenneth E. Legg, Administrator
Southeastern Power Administration

Date: 9/13/10