

January 12, 2016

Ms. Beverly Banister, Director
Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division
U.S. EPA, Region 4
61 Forsyth Street, SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8909

RE: Georgia Power-Plant Yates Permit for EPA's Data Requirements Rule for the 2010 1-Hour SO₂ NAAQS

Dear Ms. Banister:

On June 8, 2016, the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) submitted a letter to EPA describing the approach that will be used to characterize air quality at sources in Georgia that had annual actual SO₂ emissions exceeding 2,000 tons per year (tpy) in 2014. In that letter, EPD stated that Georgia Power-Plant Yates would permanently retire Units 1-5 and permanently convert Units 6 & 7 from coal boilers to gas boilers prior to EPA's Data Requirements Rule deadline of January 13, 2017.

This submittal contains two items:

- (1) A permit for Plant Yates signed by the EPD Director on January 10, 2017. This permit states that "The Permittee shall not fire any fuel other than natural gas in the steam generating units (emission unit IDs SG06 and SG07)". This permit condition results in a SO₂ potential to emit (PTE) of less than 20 tons per year.
- (2) The permit narrative for Plant Yates that includes the SO₂ PTE calculations.

Should you or your staff have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact Jim Boylan at James.Boylan@dnr.ga.gov or 404-363-7014.

Sincerely,



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Attachments