

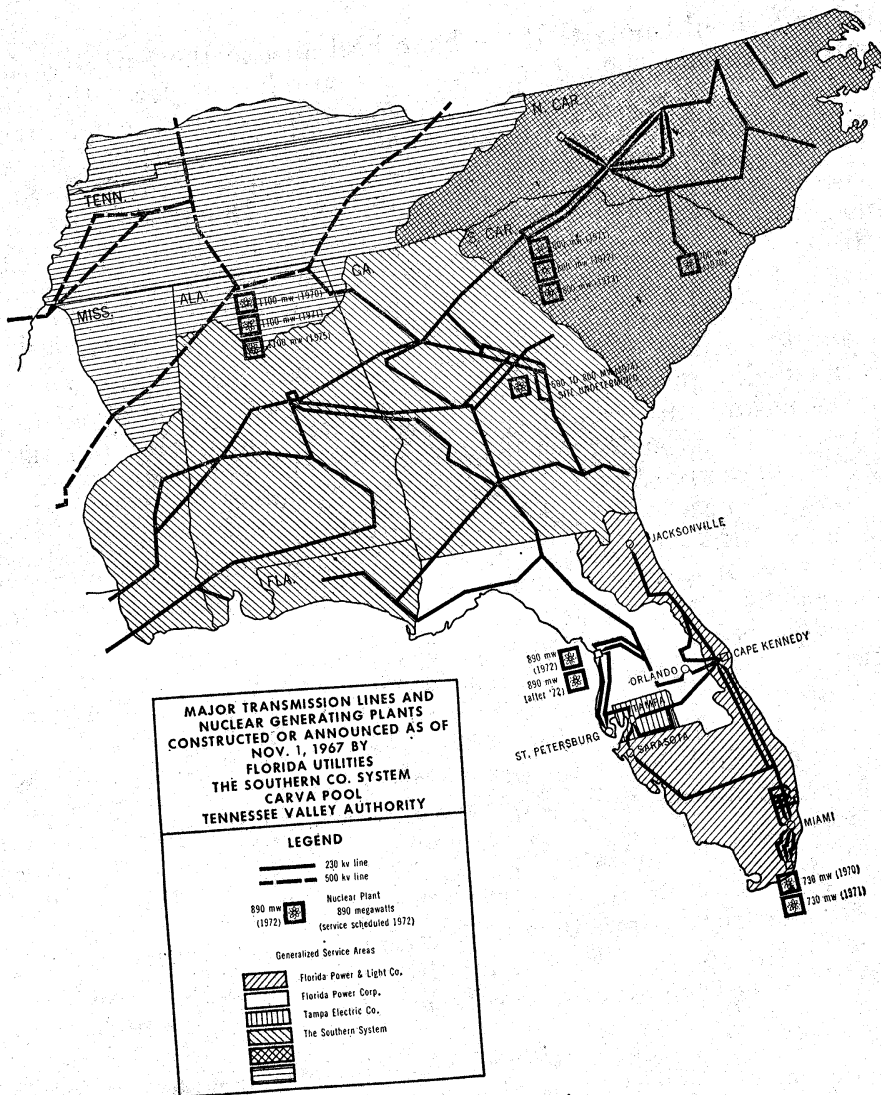


FIGURE 1

Mr. MACDONALD. Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. I just have two very short questions because you have answered many of the questions that have been raised yesterday and some today.

On page 7, however, I can't quite understand your statement, or at least the Florida Power & Light Co.'s position, that if this bill H.R. 5348 were enacted they would not take advantage of the operational benefits that they might have in joining up with Georgia.

Why wouldn't they want to have benefits of operation between the Georgia Power and Florida Power?

Mr. WHITE. I do understand the question and I can say that it is somewhat presumptuous to make a forecast as to how any utility management will operate in the future, particularly with the way technology moves, but the way H.R. 5348 is set up if there is a utility that seeks desperately to avoid FPC jurisdiction, and there is a way that it can be done, and that way is disadvantageous to its own customers, to the need for reliable service of systems that are elsewhere in the region, we would hate to see some sort of an inducement to companies to sort of adjust their operations to the point where they can secure the exemption.