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Ms. Alice Lawrence,
U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Westpark Center, Suite D
105 Westpark Drive
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Dear Ms. Lawrence:

Attached is a Master's thesis written by Will Pruitt from the University of Georgia (USGS GA Coop Unit) describing research on the Ocmulgee River funded by Georgia Power pursuant to the Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances for the Robust Redhorse, *Moxostoma robustum*, Ocmulgee River, Georgia, (CCAA) as described in Agreement Number 1448-40181-01-K-005. This report summarizes an intensive research project conducted from 2011 through 2013. Specific activities addressed include monitoring the abundance and distribution of introduced robust redhorse (Conservation Action 3) and monitoring the adult population in the Ocmulgee River and estimating population size (Conservation Action 4).

Please contact me at 404-799-2159 if you have further questions regarding this report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joe E. Slaughter, IV". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent "J" and "S".

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