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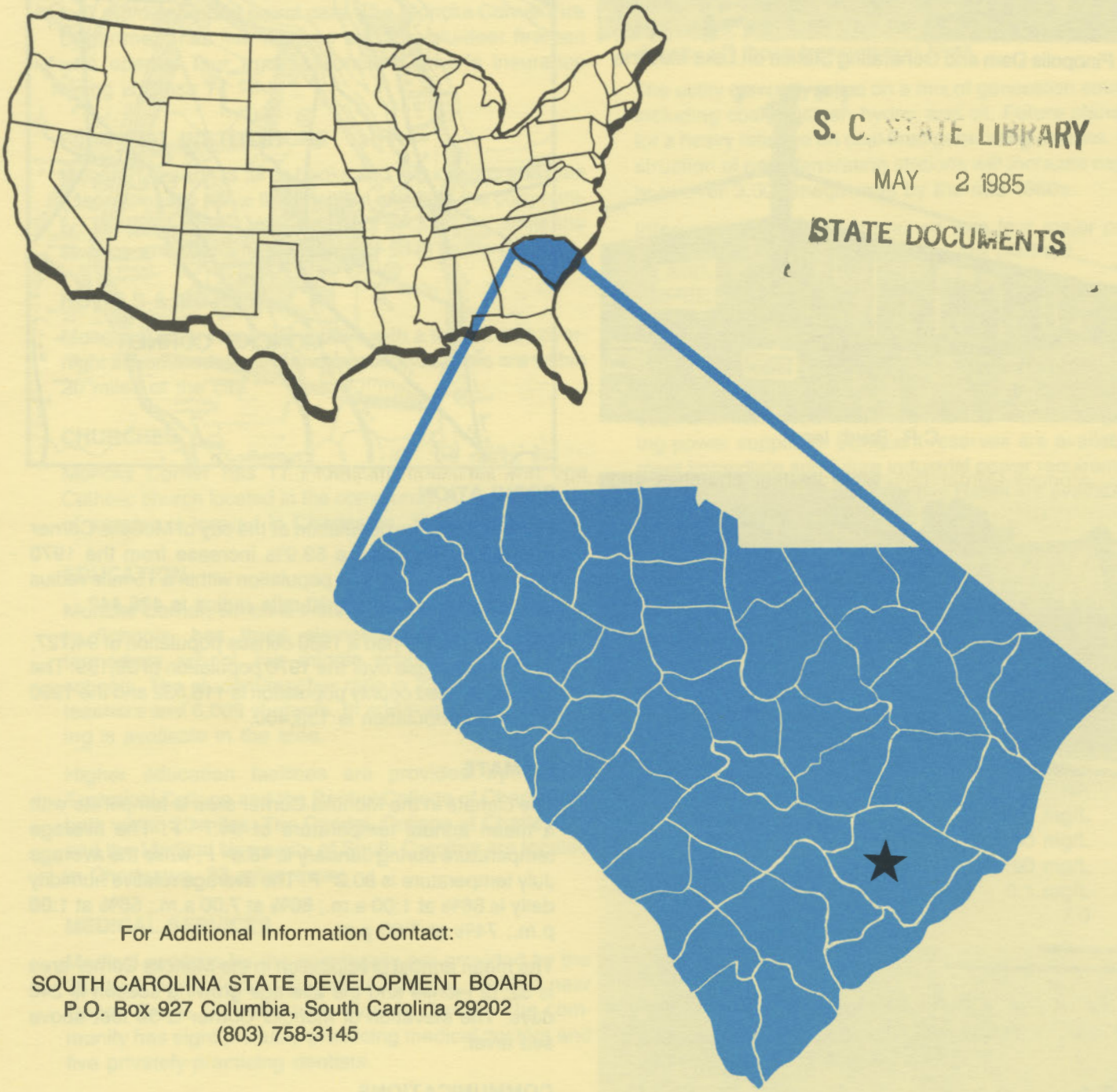

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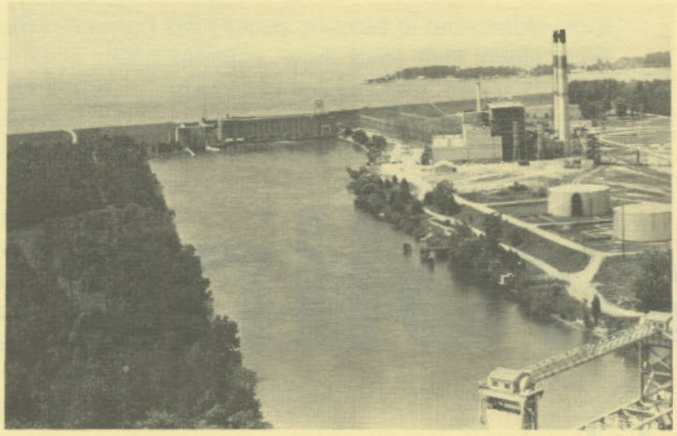

Pinopolis Dam and Generating Station on Lake Moultrie

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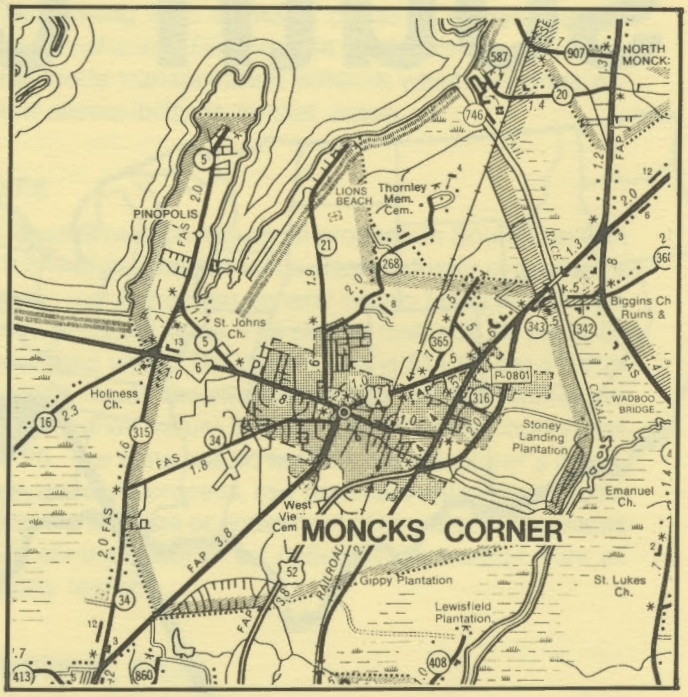
Lake Moultrie

LOCATION

As depicted on the cover, Moncks Corner, seat of Berkeley County, is in the coastal section of the state. Charleston, South Carolina's busiest port, is 33 miles south. Columbia is 92 miles northwest and Greenville is 193 miles northwest. Moncks Corner is 286 miles east of Atlanta; 713 miles south of New York; and 2,809 miles east of San Francisco.



POPULATION

The 1980 census population of the city of Moncks Corner was 3,699. This was a 59.9% increase from the 1970 population of 2,314. The population within a 15-mile radius is 44,853, and within a 30-mile radius is 426,442.

Berkeley County had a 1980 census population of 94,727, a 68.6% increase over the 1970 population of 56,199. The 1984 estimated county population is 116,032 and the 1990 projected population is 138,400.

CLIMATE

The climate in the Moncks Corner area is temperate with a mean annual temperature of 64.7° F. The average temperature during January is 48.6° F, while the average July temperature is 80.2° F. The average relative humidity daily is 86% at 1:00 a.m.; 86% at 7:00 a.m.; 56% at 1:00 p.m.; 74% at 7:00 p.m.

The mean annual precipitation in the Moncks Corner area is 52.12 inches and the average growing season is 240 days. The elevation of Moncks Corner is 50 feet above sea level.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Berkeley Democrat is published weekly in the city, and three dailies circulate in the community. Television reception is available from four Charleston stations, representing the three major networks and educational television. Telephone service is provided by the Home Telephone Company, Inc.

GOVERNMENT

The community has a mayor-council form of municipal government. The six city council members and the mayor are elected for four-year terms. Berkeley County is governed locally by a council/supervisor form of government whose seven members are elected for four-year terms.

POLICE AND FIRE

The Moncks Corner Police Department has 11 full-time and two part-time police officers plus four school crossing guards and four dispatchers. The department operates four radio equipped patrol cars. The Moncks Corner Fire Department has five full-time and 25 volunteer firemen who operate four trucks. Moncks Corner's insurance rating is Class 7.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Moncks Corner has three banks and two savings and loan associations to serve the financial needs of the community. The banks have total assets of $4.3 billion, while the savings and loans have assets of $671 million.

HOTELS & MOTELS

Moncks Corner has three motels with a total of 131 overnight accommodations. Other accommodations are within 20 miles of the city.

CHURCHES

Moncks Corner has 17 Protestant churches and one Catholic church located in the community. A Jewish house of worship is located in Charleston, 33 miles away.

EDUCATION

Moncks Corner, which is included in the Berkeley County Schools, has three elementary schools, one intermediate school, two middle schools and two high schools. The student/teacher ratio is 23.0 to 1, with 261 teachers and 6,009 students. In addition, private schooling is available in the area.

Higher education facilities are provided by Trident Technical College and the Baptist College of Charleston, both within 20 miles. The Citadel, College of Charleston, and the Medical University of South Carolina are located in Charleston, 33 miles away.

MEDICAL SERVICES

Medical services for the community are provided by the 266-bed North Trident Regional Hospital, located near Goose Creek, 20 miles from Moncks Corner. The community has eight privately-practicing medical doctors and five privately-practicing dentists.

RECREATION AND CIVIC FACILITIES

Recreation facilities for the community are provided by nearby Lake Moultrie. Lions Beach is located near the city on Lake Moultrie. The lake provides an area for fishing, boating, sailing, and other water sports. Nearby Francis Marion National Forest and other publicly-owned lands are open to the public for hunting. An 18-hole golf course is located at the Berkeley Country Club. Charleston, 33 miles away, offers theaters, museums, historical sites, landscaped gardens, collegiate spectator sports and other forms of recreation and entertainment.

POWER

Electric power is available to the community and surrounding areas from Santee Cooper and Berkeley Electric Cooperative. Santee Cooper delivers directly to industrial customers and to 15 electric cooperatives. Industrial customers with over 750 KW demand can be served directly off those transmission lines.

The utility currently relies on a mix of generation sources, including coal, nuclear, hydro, and oil. Future plans call for a heavy reliance on coal-fired generating stations. Construction of new generating stations will increase capacity to over 3,000 megawatts by the mid-1980s.

Interconnections are maintained with four major power suppliers. Additional connections are planned.

Electric power for Berkeley Electric Cooperative is supplied by Central Electric Power Cooperative and South Carolina Public Service Authority. The generation capacity of plants in operation or under construction totals over 3,200 megawatts with approximately 73% produced from coal. Interconnections are maintained with all neighboring power suppliers. Sufficient reserves are available to meet immediate and future industrial power requirements. Economic Development Incentive Rates are available for qualifying industries.

WATER

The Commission of Public Works obtains its municipal water supply from a deep well. The system is capable of supplying water at a maximum rate of 735,000 gallons per day, with an average daily flow of 360,000 gallons. Treated water storage consists of one 575,000-gallon elevated tank.

Analysis of water supplied in the community:

Total solids	NA
Alkalinity	210 mg/L
Calcium	30 mg/L
Hardness	160 mg/L
Iron	0.1 mg/L
pH	7.0

SEWER

Moncks Corner's sewage treatment plant is an activated sludge process. The system has a capacity for 500,000 gpd and averages 466,000 gpd.

LABOR

Because labor information may change in this area, a current labor availability report prepared and kept up to date by the S. C. State Development Board will be furnished to prospective manufacturers at their request. The com-

prehensive report will include sources of recruitable labor, labor force characteristics, work force skill levels, earnings data and other pertinent information. The S. C. State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education has the resources to recruit and train workers in accordance with a company's entry criteria. This training is at little or no cost to the employer. A lead-time schedule is developed to coordinate recruiting, testing, selecting, and training. This assures that persons will be able to move from training to their respective jobs at the time the plant is ready for initial production.

TRANSPORTATION

Moncks Corner is served by one interstate highway, I-26 (16 miles away), two United States highways, and one South Carolina highway. The community is served by the Seaboard System Railroad. Moncks Corner is served by 61 authorized motor carriers, 39 of which have terminal facilities in nearby Charleston.

Freight Delivery Times:

To:	By Rail:	By Truck:
Atlanta	2 days	1 day
Baltimore	3 days	3 days
Chicago	4 days	3 days
Houston	6 days	3 days
New York	4 days	4 days
St. Louis	4 days	4 days
San Francisco	6 days	5 days

The Charleston Municipal Airport, 20 miles from the community, offers regularly scheduled commercial airline service on Delta, American, Eastern, United, Piedmont and Bankair. Private aircraft utilize the Berkeley County Airport, one mile away, which has a lighted 3,100-foot asphalt runway. Services available at the local airport are flight instruction, charter, rental, RBn, major airframe and major powerplant repairs, 100LL fuel, Unicom and Vortac. Other aviation services are available at Charleston.

FOREIGN TRADE ZONE

A Foreign Trade Zone is located in Summerville, South Carolina, 25 miles from the Port of Charleston and eight miles from the community. The Foreign Trade Zone allows manufacturers to store, manufacture or process goods without paying U.S. Customs duties or worrying about quota compliance. This Foreign Trade Zone is served by a multimode transportation network which provides excellent accessibility to market areas.

TAXES

The assessment on industrial property in South Carolina is 10.5% of the market value. New industry is granted a five-year moratorium on general county taxes with the exception of school taxes. The city tax rate is $6.20 per $100 of assessed value. The county rate is $11.90 per $100 of assessed value. The effective city tax rate (tax liability per $100 of market value) is $.65. The effective county rate is $1.25. The state has no tax on a manufacturer's inventories, goods-in-process, raw materials or finished goods. Treatment facilities or equipment of manufacturing plants which control water or air pollution are exempt from all property taxation.

INDUSTRIAL SITES

Industrial sites are available in Moncks Corner with a wide range of geographic and topographic features. In all probability, a site that will meet the needs of most industries' requirements has been identified, catalogued, and entered into the State Development Board's Computerized Site Selection System. Detailed site information is available and will be furnished upon request.

MAJOR EMPLOYERS

Name	Product or Service	Employees
C.R. Bard, Inc.	All-purpose tubing	402
Berkeley Manufacturing Co., Inc.	Dresses	73
Krapfel Enterprises, Inc.	Plastic parts	75
Uniroyal, Inc.	Timing belts, V-belts	255

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