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SUBJECT: REVISION TO TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION BASES B3.3.19, B3.8.3, AND B3.8.9  
OCONEE NUCLEAR STATION, UNITS 1, 2 AND 3

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The purpose of this letter is to distribute the enclosed TS page and List of Effective Pages to the appropriate TS manual holders.

Sincerely,

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