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Rani, the third paragraph still needs to be revised. Duke does not agree that the staff needs this information. I have revised the text to state that the staff stated it needs the information, not that Duke agrees that it is needed. We believe that 'verify' is too strong a word for use in this context. Revised words are included below.

The applicant acknowledged the reviewer's intent in requesting the CUFs for McGuire and Catawba components. The applicant expressed that it disagrees with the technical approach in the WCAP report. (strikethrough: but agreed that)However, the staff stated that it needs this information to compare plant-specific data to that which is provided in Table 2-10 of the WCAP. Such a comparison will enable the staff to (strikethrough: verify)gain additional perspective that the components should be able to continue to perform their intended functions during the period of extended operation. The applicant further explained that the Thermal Fatigue Management Program is credited in the LRA to ensure that all fatigue-related issues are managed for the period of extended operation, including environmentally assisted fatigue. The staff acknowledged that this program was defined in the LRA and is acceptable, but that a data comparison to the WCAP report was requested to provide additional assurance that the applicant's program will adequately address the issues identified in the WCAP report. (strikethrough: intended functions will be maintained).

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Hi Bob,
See the attached summary. Note that comments from Duka and John Fair have been incorporated (illustrated in red text). Wanted you to see it one more time before it is issued....
Thanks-
Rani

(See attached file: Conference Call Summary June 4 02 - Metal Fatigue RAIs.wpd)

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LICENSEE : Duke Energy Corporation

FACILITIES: McGuire, Units 1 and 2, and Catawba, Units 1 and 2

SUBJECT: TELECOMMUNICATION WITH DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION TO DISCUSS
THE RESPONSE TO A REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PERTAINING
TO SECTION 4.3 OF THE LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION

On January 28, 2002, the NRC staff (hereafter referred to as "the staff") issued a request for additional information (RAI) pertaining to Section 4.3, Metal Fatigue, of the license renewal application (LRA). Duke Energy Corporation (hereafter referred to as "the applicant") responded to this request by letter dated April 15, 2002. On June 4, 2002, a conference call was conducted between the NRC and Duke Energy Corporation to discuss information that was provided to the NRC in response to RAI 4.3-4, parts (2) and (3), and RAI 4.3-5. Participants of the June 4, 2002, conference call are provided in Attachment 1. A table that was provided by Duke, via electronic correspondence, in response to RAI 4.3-5 is provided in Attachment 2.

RAI 4.3-4(2) and (3)

The applicant questioned the reasoning behind the staff's RAI on a report (WCAP-14574) that was not used in or referenced by the McGuire-Catawba license renewal application. The staff explained that, although WCAP-14574 is not a part of the Duke application, the report documented safety issues related to the Westinghouse fatigue design. As such, the staff needs to compare cumulative usage factors (CUFs) specific to certain McGuire and Catawba components to data presented in the report to conclude, with reasonable assurance, that fatigue of these components will be adequately monitored during the extended period of operation.

The applicant acknowledged the reviewer's intent in requesting the CUFs for McGuire and Catawba components. The applicant expressed that it disagrees with the technical approach in the WCAP report, but agreed that the staff needs this information to compare plant-specific data to that which is provided in Table 2-10 of the WCAP. Such a comparison will enable the staff to verify that the components should be able to continue to perform their intended functions during the period of extended operation. The applicant further explained that the Thermal Fatigue Management Program is credited in the LRA to ensure that all fatigue-related issues are managed for the period of extended operation, including environmentally assisted fatigue. The staff acknowledged that this program was defined in the LRA and is acceptable, but that a data comparison to the WCAP report was requested to provide additional assurance that the applicant's program will adequately address the issues identified in the WCAP report. ~~intended functions will be maintained.~~

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The applicant agreed to provide specific CUFs associated with the design of the pressurizer as requested by RAI 4.3-4(2). With respect to RAI 4.3-4(3), the pressurizer locations associated with these usage factors, as well as other component locations in the reactor coolant system, will be considered for environmentally assisted fatigue under the process described in the application Section 4.3.1.2.

RAI 4.3-5

By electronic correspondence dated May 23, 2002, the applicant provided a table of CUFs for newer-vintage Westinghouse plant locations identified in NUREG/CR-6260, "Application of NUREG/CR-5999 Interim Fatigue Curves to Selected Nuclear Power Plant Components." The staff reviewed these data and indicated that the information provided was sufficient to enable the staff to complete its review of this item. The applicant agreed to submit the information by official correspondence. This RAI is confirmatory pending the formal submittal of the information provided in the May 23, 2002, electronic correspondence.

A draft of this telecommunication summary was provided to the applicant to allow them the opportunity to comment prior to the summary being issued.

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RAI 4.3-5

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Attachment 1

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CUFs Newer Vintage Westinghouse Plant Locations Identified in NUREG/CR 6260

	McGuire 1	McGuire 2	Catawba 1	Catawba 2
RV at lower head to shell juncture	0.004	0.059	0.059	0.012
RV Inlet Nozzle	0.1068	0.1068	0.099	0.112
RV Outlet Nozzle	0.6576	0.6576	0.658	0.658
Surge Line Hot Leg Nozzle	0.276	0.276	0.276	0.276
Charging Nozzle	0.768	0.768	0.795	0.795
Safety Injection Nozzle	0.935	0.935	0.950	0.950
Residual Heat Removal Line Inlet Transition	0.0421	0.0421	0.44	0.044

Attachment 2