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SUBJECT: DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION  
STORAGE OF CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

Catawba Nuclear Station, Docket Nos. 50-413, -414  
McGuire Nuclear Station, Docket Nos. 50-369, -370  
Oconee Nuclear Station, Docket Nos. 50-269, -270, -287

REFERENCE: Letter, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, to Duke Energy Corporation, Dated August 7, 2002, Subject: Storage of Classified Information - Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2; William B. McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 & 2; Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, & 3

The NRC issued the above referenced letter to Duke Energy Corporation (Duke Energy) to request cooperation in the storage of classified information inside the protected area of Catawba, McGuire and Oconee nuclear stations. This letter was received in Duke Energy's corporate headquarters office on August 15, 2002. Duke Energy has reviewed this letter and agrees to provide a location inside the protected area for the placement of an NRC security container. Duke Energy understands that the security container will be the property of the NRC and will be opened and closed only by NRC personnel.

Duke Energy agrees to place the NRC security container inside the protected area, using option 3 as the preferred method. At Catawba, the proposed location of the container is inside the Central Alarm Station. At McGuire, the proposed location of the container is inside the Secondary Alarm Station. At Oconee, the proposed location of the container is inside the Safeguards Information Workroom.

Duke Energy commits to not move the security containers or attempt to gain access to them without permission from the NRC, and that if a container is found unlocked and unattended, Duke Energy will immediately notify the resident inspector or the NRC Headquarters Operations Officer and guard the contents of the container until NRC personnel are present.

If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact Terry W. Keener at 704-382-2056.

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