March 28, 2008

Mr. Dhiaa M. Jamil Group Exective and Chief Nuclear Officer Duke Power Company LLC P.O. Box 1006 – EC03XM 526 South Church St. Charlotte, NC 28201-1006

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENTS REGARDING A NAME CHANGE OF THE LICENSEE FOR CATAWBA NUCLEAR STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2; MCGUIRE NUCLEAR STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2; OCONEE NUCLEAR STATION, UNITS 1, 2, AND 3; AND OCONEE INDEPENDENT SPENT FUEL STORAGE INSTALLATION (TAC NOS. MD5156, MD5157, MD5158, MD5159, MD5160, MD5161, AND MD5162)

Dear Mr. Jamil:

By letter dated March 14, 2007, Duke Power Company LLC, (the licensee) requested approval of amendments that would revise the licenses to reflect the name change of the licensee from Duke Power Company LLC to Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC. The proposed amendments are a name change only. There is no change in the state of incorporation, registered agent, registered office, rights or liabilities of the company. Nor is there a change in the function of the licensee or the way in which it does business.

Accordingly, the Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No. 240 to Renewed Facility Operating License NPF-35, Amendment No. 235 to Renewed Facility Operating License NPF-52, Amendment No. 245 to Renewed Facility Operating License NPF- 9, Amendment No. 225 to Renewed Facility Operating License NPF-17, Amendment No. 361 to Renewed Facility Operating License DPR-38, Amendment No. 363 to Renewed Facility Operating License DPR-47, Amendment No. 362 to Renewed Facility Operating License DPR-55, Amendment No. 9 to SNM-2503 for the Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2, McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2, Oconee Nuclear Station Units 1, 2, and 3, and the Oconee Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation, respectively. D. Jamil

A copy of the related Safety Evaluation is also enclosed. A Notice of Issuance will be included in the Commission's biweekly *Federal Register* notice.

Enclosure 10 contains two copies of each facilities' amended Indemnity Agreement, which are associated with this name change license amendment. Please keep these for your records.

Sincerely,

/RA/

John Stang, Senior Project Manager Plant Licensing Branch II-1 Division of Operating Reactor Licensing Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket Nos. 50-413, 50-414, 50-369, 50-370, 50-269, 50-270, 50-287 and 72-4

Enclosures:

- 1. Amendment No. 240 to NPF-35
- 2. Amendment No. 235 to NPF-52
- 3. Amendment No. 245 to NPF-9
- 4. Amendment No. 225 to NPF-17
- 5. Amendment No. 361 to DPR-38
- 6. Amendment No. 363 to DPR-47
- 7. Amendment No. 362 to DPR-55
- 8. Amendment No. 9 to SNM-2503
- 9. Safety Evaluation
- 10. Amendment 11 to Indemnity Agreement No. B-100 Amendment 12 to Indemnity Agreement No. B-83 Amendment 18 to Indemnity Agreement No. B-44

cc w/encls: See next page

D. Jamil

A copy of the related Safety Evaluation is also enclosed. A Notice of Issuance will be included in the Commission's biweekly *Federal Register* notice.

Enclosure 10 contains two copies of each facilities' amended Indemnity Agreement, which are associated with this name change license amendment. Please keep these for your records.

Sincerely,

/RA/

John Stang, Senior Project Manager Plant Licensing Branch II-1 Division of Operating Reactor Licensing Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket Nos. 50-413, 50-414, 50-369, 50-370, 50-269, 50-270, 50-287 and 72-4

Enclosures:

- 1. Amendment No. 240 to NPF-35
- 2. Amendment No. 235 to NPF-52
- 3. Amendment No. 245 to NPF-9
- 4. Amendment No. 225 to NPF-17
- 5. Amendment No. 361 to DPR-38
- 6. Amendment No. 363 to DPR-47
- 7. Amendment No. 362 to DPR-55
- 8. Amendment No. 9 to SNM-2503
- 9. Safety Evaluation
- 10. Amendment 11 to Indemnity Agreement No. B-100 Amendment 12 to Indemnity Agreement No. B-83 Amendment 18 to Indemnity Agreement No. B-44

cc w/encls: See next page

DISTRIBUTION: Public LPL2-1 R/F RidsNrrDorlLpl2-1 (MWong) RidsNrrPMJStang (hard copy) RidsNrrLAMO'Brien (hard copy) RidsOgcRp RHall, NMSS

RidsAcrsAcnwMailCenter GHill (18 hard copies) RidsNrrDirsItsb (TKobetz) RidsRgn2MailCenter (JMoorman) RidsNrrDorlDpr WBrach, NMSS

Package No.: ML080630445 Amendment No.: ML080630483 Tech Spec No.: ML080630496

NRR-058

OFFICE	NRR/LPL2-1/PM	NRR/LPL2-1/LA	NRR/LPL2-1/BC	NMSS/SFST/D	OGC
NAME	JStang:	MO'Brien	MWong	WBrach	SUttal NLO
DATE	03/26/08	03/26/08	03/25/08	03/27/08	03/24/08

OFFICIAL RECORD COPY

NORTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

SALUDA RIVER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

DOCKET NO. 50-413

CATAWBA NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 1

AMENDMENT TO RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 240 Renewed License No. NPF-35

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment to the Catawba Nuclear Station, Unit 1 (the facility) Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-35 filed by the Duke Power Company LLC, acting for itself, North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation and Saluda River Electric Cooperative, Inc. (licensees), dated March 14, 2007, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations as set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;I;
 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
 - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.

- 2. Accordingly, Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-35 is hereby amended as indicated in the attachment hereto.
- 3. This license amendment is effective as of its date of issuance and shall be implemented within 30 days.

/RA/

Melanie C. Wong, Chief Plant Licensing Branch II-1 Division of Operating Reactor Licensing Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: Changes to Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-35

NORTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY NO. 1

PIEDMONT MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY

DOCKET NO. 50-414

CATAWBA NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 2

AMENDMENT TO RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 235 Renewed License No. NPF-52

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment to the Catawba Nuclear Station, Unit 2 (the facility) Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-52 filed by the Duke Power Company LLC, acting for itself, North Carolina Municipal Power Agency No. 1 and Piedmont Municipal Power Agency (licensees), dated March 14, 2007, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations as set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
 - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.

- 2. Accordingly, Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-52 is hereby amended as indicated in the attachment hereto.
- 3. This license amendment is effective as of its date of issuance and shall be implemented within 30 days.

/RA/

Melanie C. Wong, Chief Plant Licensing Branch II-1 Division of Operating Reactor Licensing Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: Changes to Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-52

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 240

RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-35

DOCKET NO. 50-413

AND LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 235

RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-52

DOCKET NO. 50-414

Replace the following pages of the Renewed Facility Operating Licenses with the attached revised pages. The revised pages are identified by amendment number and contain marginal lines indicating the areas of change.

<u>Unit 1</u>

Remove 1 through 6 Appendix B, Page 1 Insert 1 through 6 Appendix B, Page 1

<u>Unit 2</u>

<u>Remove</u> 1 through 6 Appendix B, Page 1 Insert 1 through 6 Appendix B, Page 1

DOCKET NO. 50-369

MCGUIRE NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 1

AMENDMENT TO RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 245 Renewed License No. NPF-9

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A The application for amendment to the McGuire Nuclear Station, Unit 1 (the facility), Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-9, filed by the Duke Power Company LLC (licensee), dated March 14, 2007, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations as set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
 - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.

- 2. Accordingly, Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-9 is hereby amended as indicated in the attachment hereto.
- 3. This license amendment is effective as of its date of issuance and shall be implemented within 30 days.

/RA/

Melanie C. Wong, Chief Plant Licensing Branch II-1 Division of Operating Reactor Licensing Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: Changes to Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-9

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 245

RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-9

DOCKET NO. 50-369

Replace the following pages of the Renewed Facility Operating License with the attached revised pages. The revised pages are identified by amendment number and contain marginal lines indicating the areas of change.

<u>Remove</u> 1 through 4A Appendix B, Page 1 Insert 1 through 4A Appendix B, Page 1

DOCKET NO. 50-370

MCGUIRE NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 2

AMENDMENT TO RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 225 Renewed License No. NPF-17

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment to the McGuire Nuclear Station, Unit 2 (the facility), Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-17, filed by the Duke Power Company LLC (the licensee), dated March 14, 2007, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations as set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
 - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.

- 2. Accordingly, Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-17 is hereby amended as indicated in the attachment hereto.
- 3. This license amendment is effective as of its date of issuance and shall be implemented within 30 days.

/RA/

Melanie C. Wong, Chief Plant Licensing Branch II-1 Division of Operating Reactor Licensing Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: Changes to Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-17

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 225

RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-17

DOCKET NO. 50-370

Replace the following pages of the Renewed Facility Operating License with the attached revised pages. The revised pages are identified by amendment number and contain marginal lines indicating the areas of change.

<u>Remove</u> 1 through 5 Appendix B, Page 1 Insert 1 through 5 Appendix B, Page 1

DOCKET NO. 50-269

OCONEE NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 1

AMENDMENT TO RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 361 Renewed License No. DPR-38

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment to the Oconee Nuclear Station, Unit 1 (the facility), Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR-38 filed by the Duke Power Company LLC (the licensee), dated March 14, 2007, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations as set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
 - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.

- 2. Accordingly, Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR-38 is hereby amended as indicated in the attachment hereto.
- 3. This license amendment is effective as of its date of issuance and shall be implemented within 30 days.

/RA/

Melanie C. Wong, Chief Plant Licensing Branch II-1 Division of Operating Reactor Licensing Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: Changes to Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR-38

DOCKET NO. 50-270

OCONEE NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 2

AMENDMENT TO RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 363 Renewed License No. DPR-47

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment to the Oconee Nuclear Station, Unit 2 (the facility), Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR-47 filed by the Duke Power Company LLC (the licensee), dated March 14, 2007, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations as set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
 - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.

- 2. Accordingly, Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR-47 is hereby amended as indicated in the attachment hereto.
- 3. This license amendment is effective as of its date of issuance and shall be implemented within 30 days.

/RA/

Melanie C. Wong, Chief Plant Licensing Branch II-1 Division of Operating Reactor Licensing Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: Changes to Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR-47

DOCKET NO. 50-287

OCONEE NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 3

AMENDMENT TO RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 362 Renewed License No. DPR-55

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment to the Oconee Nuclear Station, Unit 3 (the facility), Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR-55 filed by the Duke Power Company LLC (the licensee), dated March 14, 2007, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations as set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
 - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.

- 2. Accordingly, Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR-55 is hereby amended as indicated in the attachment hereto.
- 3. This license amendment is effective as of its date of issuance and shall be implemented within 30 days.

/RA/

Melanie C. Wong, Chief Plant Licensing Branch II-1 Division of Operating Reactor Licensing Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: Changes to Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR-55

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 361

RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-38

DOCKET NO. 50-269

<u>AND</u>

TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 363

RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-47

DOCKET NO. 50-270

<u>AND</u>

TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 362

RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-55

DOCKET NO. 50-287

Replace the following pages of the Renewed Facility Operating Licenses with the attached revised pages. The revised pages are identified by amendment number and contain marginal lines indicating the areas of change.

<u>Unit 1</u>

Remove	Insert
1 through 3	1 through 3
7 through 8	7 through 8

<u>Unit 2</u>

Remove		
1 through 3		
7 through 8		

Insert			
1	through 3		
7	through 8		

<u>Unit 3</u>

<u>Remove</u>	Insert
1 through 3	1 through 3
7 through 8	7 through 8

DOCKET NO. 72-4

OCONEE INDEPENDENT SPENT FUEL STORAGE INSTALLATION

AMENDMENT TO MATERIAL LICENSE

Amendment No. 9 License No. SNM-2503

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The amendment application dated March 14, 2007, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - B. The Oconee ISFSI will continue to operate in conformity with the application, as amended, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - C. There is reasonable assurance that (i) the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering public health and safety, and (ii) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations;
 - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the public health and safety; and
 - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.
- 2. Accordingly, the license is amended by the enclosed changes to Materials License No. SNM-2503, indicated by margin notations.

3. This license amendment is effective as of the date of the conversion of Duke Power Company LLC to Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, and shall be implemented within 30 days.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

/**RA**/

E. William Brach, Director Division of Spent Fuel Storage and Transporation Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards

Attachments: Revised License Pages 1-2 Appendix A Cover Sheet and Page A-4 Appendix B Cover Sheet Appendix C Cover Sheet

Date of License Amendment Issuance: March 28, 2008

Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 & 2 McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 & 2 Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3

CC:

Mr. Randy Hart, Manager Regulatory Compliance Duke Energy Corporation Catawba Site 4800 Concord Road York, South Carolina 29745

Ms. Lisa F. Vaughn Duke Energy Corporation 526 South Church Street P. O. Box 1006 Mail Code EC07H Charlotte, North Carolina 28201-1006

North Carolina Municipal Power Agency Number 1 1427 Meadowwood Boulevard P.O. Box 29513 Raleigh, North Carolina 27626

County Manager of York County York County Courthouse York, South Carolina 29745

Piedmont Municipal Power Agency 121 Village Drive Greer, South Carolina 29651

Ms. Karen E. Long Assistant Attorney General North Carolina Department of Justice P.O. Box 629 Raleigh, North Carolina 27602

NCEM REP Program Manager 4713 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4713

North Carolina Electric Membership Corp. P.O. Box 27306 Raleigh, North Carolina 27611 Senior Resident Inspector U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 4830 Concord Road York, South Carolina 29745

Mr. Henry Porter, Assistant Director Division of Waste Management Bureau of Land and Waste Management Dept. of Health and Environmental Control 2600 Bull Street Columbia, South Carolina 29201-1708

Mr. R.L. Gill, Jr., Manager Nuclear Regulatory Issues and Industry Affairs Duke Energy Corporation 526 South Church Street Mail Stop EC05P Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

Saluda River Electric P.O. Box 929 Laurens, South Carolina 29360

Mr. Peter R. Harden, IV, Vice President Customer Relations and Sales Westinghouse Electric Company 6000 Fairview Road 12th Floor Charlotte, North Carolina 28210

Mr. T. Richard Puryear Owners Group (NCEMC) Duke Energy Corporation 4800 Concord Road York, South Carolina 29745

Division of Radiation Protection NC Dept. of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources 3825 Barrett Drive Raleigh, North Carolina 27609-7721 Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 & 2 McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 & 2 Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3

CC:

Mr. Dhiaa M Jamil Group Executive and Chief Nuclear Officer P.O. Box 1006-EC07H Charlotte, NC 28201-1006

County Manager of Mecklenburg County 720 E. Fourth St. Charlotte, NC 28202

Mr. Kenneth Ashe Regulatory Compliance Manager Duke Energy Corporation McGuire Nuclear Site 12700 Hagers Ferry Road Huntersville, NC 28078

Senior Resident Inspector c/o U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 12700 Hagers Ferry Road Huntersville, NC 28078

Dr. John M. Barry Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Protection 700 N. Tryon St Charlotte, NC 28202 Manager, LIS NUS Corporation 2650 McCormick Dr., 3rd Floor Clearwater, FL 34619-1035

Senior Resident Inspector U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 7812B Rochester Highway Seneca, SC 29672

Mr. Michael A. Schoppman Framatome ANP 1911 North Ft. Myer Dr. Suite 705 Rosslyn, VA 22209

Mr. B. G. Davenport Regulatory Compliance Manager Oconee Nuclear Site Duke Energy Corporation ON03RC 7800 Rochester Highway Seneca, SC 29672

SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION

RELATED NAME CHANGE OF LICENSEE

CATAWBA NUCLEAR STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2

DOCKET NOS. 50-413 AND 50-414

AMENDMENT NO. 240 TO RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NPF-35

AMENDMENT NO. 235 TO RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NPF-52

MCGUIRE NUCLEAR STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2

DOCKET NOS. 50-369 AND 50-370

AMENDMENT NO. 245 TO RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NPF-9

AMENDMENT NO. 225 TO RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NPF-17

OCONEE NUCLEAR STATION, UNITS 1, 2, AND 3

DOCKET NOS. 50-269, 50-270, AND 50-287

AMENDMENT NO. 361 TO RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-38

AMENDMENT NO. 363 TO RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-47

AMENDMENT NO. 362 TO RENEWED FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-55

<u>AND</u>

OCONEE INDEPENDENT SPENT FUEL STORAGE INSTALLATION

AMENDMENT NO. 9 TO SNM-2503

DOCKET NO. 72-4

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By application dated March 14, 2007 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS)) Accession No. ML ML070790456, Duke Power Company LLC (Duke, the licensee), requested changes to the licenses for the Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2

(Catawba 1 and 2), McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2 (McGuire 1 and 2), Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3 (Oconee 1, 2, and 3), and the Oconee Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI). The proposed changes would revise the licenses to reflect the change in the name of the licensee from Duke Power Company LLC to Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC. The proposed amendments are a name change only. There is no change in the state of incorporation, registered agent, registered office, rights or liabilities of the company. Nor is there a change in the function of the licensee or the way in which it does business.

2.0 REGULATORY EVALUATION

The proposed changes to the Renewed Facility Operating Licenses for Catawba 1 and 2, McGuire 1 and 2, and Oconee 1, 2, and 3, were submitted to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), Part 50, Section 50.90. The proposed changes to the Oconee ISFSI license were submitted to the NRC pursuant to 10 CFR 72.56. These amendments are being submitted only for the purpose of updating the affected license documents to reflect a name change to Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC. Duke Power Company LLC filed the Articles of Amendment which changed its name to Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, with the North Carolina Department of the Secretary of State on September 29, 2006.

3.0 TECHNICAL EVALUATION

The proposed amendments are for a name change only. The change in the licensee's name does not involve any change in the technical qualifications of the licensee or the design, configuration, or operation of the nuclear units and the ISFSI at Oconee. All Limiting Conditions for Operation, Limiting Safety System Settings and Safety Limits specified in the Technical Specifications remain unchanged. Also, the Physical Security Plans and related plans, the Operator Training and Requalification Programs, the Quality Assurance Programs, and the Emergency Plans will not be materially changed by the proposed name change. The name change will not affect the executive oversight provided by the Chief Nuclear Officer and his staff.

The licensee's financial responsibility for its plants and its sources of funds to support the plants will remain the same. Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC will continue to be a utility regulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the North Carolina Utilities Commission and the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. The licensee's financial qualifications and responsibility for the decommissioning funds to support the plants will remain the same.

The proposed changes are administrative in nature and involve only a name change. The proposed changes do not alter any technical content of the licenses nor do they have any programmatic effect on the Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's, Quality Assurance Program Topical Report. The name change will have no impact on the design, function, or operation of any plant structures, systems, or components. The current plant design, design bases, and each plant's updated final safety analysis will remain the same. The legal corporate status of the licensee has not changed and no transfer within the scope of 10 CFR 50.80 will occur with the proposed name change

Based on the above, the NRC staff finds the proposed changes administrative in nature and will not affect in any way the safe operation of Catawba 1 and 2, McGuire 1 and 2, Oconee 1, 2, and 3, and the Oconee ISFSI. Therefore, the NRC staff finds the proposed changes to the licenses acceptable.

4.0 STATE CONSULTATION

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, the North Carolina and South Carolina State officials were notified of the proposed issuance of the amendments. The State officials had no comments.

5.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

The amendments relate to changes in recordkeeping, reporting, or administrative procedures or requirements. Accordingly, the amendments meet the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(10). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b), no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the issuance of the amendments.

6.0 CONCLUSION

The Commission has concluded, based on the considerations discussed above, that: (1) there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, (2) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations, and (3) the issuance of the amendments will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

Principal Contributor: John Stang

Date: March 28, 2008