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SUBJECT: DETERMINATION OF ACCEPTABILITY AND SUFFICIENCY FOR
DOCKETING AND OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING REGARDING DUKE
ENERGY CORPORATION'S APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF OPERATING
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We have enclosed for your information a copy of the notice relating to your application that was sent to the Office of the Federal Register for publication. This notice also provides, in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 2.105, the opportunity to request a hearing and file a petition for leave to intervene.

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact Stephen T. Hoffman, the License Renewal Project Manager for ONS Units 1, 2, and 3 at 301-415-3245.

Sincerely,

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