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Pursuant to Technical Specification 6.6.1.1, item 3,
"installation of fuel that has a different design or has
been manufactured by a different fuel supplier," please
find the attached Startup Report for the Oconee Unit 1,
Cycle 18 core. The fresh fuel for this cycle, designated as
Batch 20, consists of a new design that utilizes radial fuel
rod enrichment zoning.

If there are any questions regarding this report, please
contact Ed Price at (864) 885-4388.

Very truly yours,

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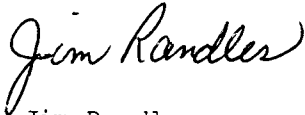
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Attached is the Oconee Unit 2 Cycle 18 Startup Testing Report prepared by the Oconee Nuclear Engineering Group.

If you have any questions concerning this report, please contact Jim Randles at 3909.



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