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Supplemental Response #4 to G.L. 89-13

The purpose of this letter is to modify a commitment made in our letter dated April 4, 1995, Supplemental Response #3 to G.L. 89-13. The commitment involved flushing and flow testing of the Emergency CCW piping used to recirculate water to the intake canal.

The April 4, 1995 letter stated that "beginning with the Unit 3 EOC15 outage (mid 1995) and continuing with each subsequent refueling outage, this portion of the system will be tested in its worst case, design basis accident configuration". Subsequently, we have performed a test during the Unit 3 EOC15 outage that involved operating a CCW pump while recirculating through the Emergency CCW piping back to the intake canal at approximately the flow rates expected after a Loss of Lake Keowee event. However, we do not plan to perform testing at the worst case flow rates during each subsequent refueling outage as stated in the April 4, 1995 letter.

In a letter dated May 31, 1995 (Subject: Inspection Report 50-269, -270, -287/93-25, Service Water Issues - February 24, 1995 Meeting), we stated our position that the recirculation of the CCW intake canal after a postulated Loss of Lake Keowee event is not required by the licensing basis for Oconee. Based on this, we consider periodic testing at worst case flow rates during each refueling outage to be unnecessary.

Please contact David Nix at (803) 885-3634, if there are any questions.

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