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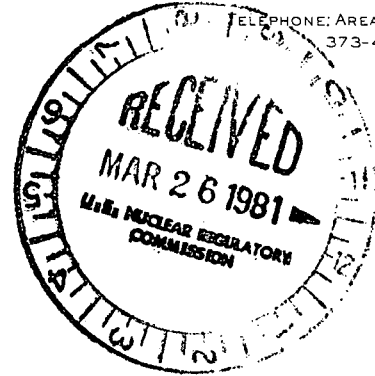
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Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555



Attention: J. F. Stolz, Chief
Operating Reactors Branch No. 4

Re: Oconee Nuclear Station
Docket Nos. 50-269, -270, -287
Environmental Qualification of Safety-Related
Electrical Equipment

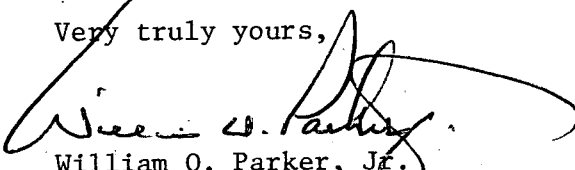
Dear Sir:

On March 16, 1981, Duke Power Company informally contacted the Staff to request that a meeting be held on March 25, 1981 to discuss the issue of "mild environments" and to allow Duke to present its position on this matter to the Staff. An informal reply was given by the Staff on March 17, 1981, which stated that no meetings would be held between the Staff and the licensees until the Safety Evaluation Reports on environment qualification had been sent to the licensees.

In light of the Commission's Memorandum and Order of May 23, 1980 and the Staff's Order of October 24, 1980, which impose a deadline of June 30, 1982 for full implementation of the DOR Guidelines by the licensees, Duke Power Company considers the negative response received from the Staff to be unsatisfactory. The Staff has provided little, if any, guidance on the issue of "mild environments", and Duke Power wishes to discuss its own position on "mild environments" with the Staff in an effort to obtain guidance on this matter, as soon as possible. This is of utmost necessity if Duke Power Company is expected to comply with the 1982 deadline.

Therefore, Duke Power Company requests, formally, a meeting with the Staff to discuss the issue of "mild environments". It is further requested that this meeting be held as soon as possible, preferably no later than April 15, 1981. Please provide Duke with a response to this request by April 1, 1981. Lack of a response from the Staff will be assumed to be a negative response.

Very truly yours,


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