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FROM: Duke Power Company Charlotte, N.C. 28201 Mr. A.C. Thies			DATE OF DOC 7-23-74	DATE REC'D 7-29-74	LTR X	TWX	RPT	OTHER
TO: A. Giambusso			ORIG 1 signed	CC	OTHER	SENT AEC PDR XXX SENT LOCAL PDR XXX		
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## DESCRIPTION:

Ltr requesting that the Oconee 1 initial fuel cycle be extended to allow the first reactor core to be operated up to 7500 effective full power hours.....adv tht they expect fuel loading to begin approx Nov. 1, 1974....

## ENCLOSURES:

ACKNOWLEDGED

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PLANT NAME: Oconee #1

FOR ACTION/INFORMATION

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BUTLER (L)	SCHWENCER (L)	ZIEMANN (L)	REGAN (E)
W/ CYS	W/ CYS	W/ CYS	W/ CYS
CLARK (L)	STOLZ (L)	DICKER (E)	
W/ CYS	W/ CYS	W/ CYS	W/ CYS
FARR (L)	VASSALLO (L)	KNIGHTON (E)	
W/ CYS	W/ CYS	W/ CYS	W/ CYS
KNIEL (L)	PURPLE (L)	YOUNGBLOOD (E)	
W/ CYS	W/ CYS	W/ CYS	W/ CYS

## INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION

<del>REG FILE</del>	TECH REVIEW	DENTON	LIC ASST	A/T IND
<del>AEC PDR</del>	HENDRIE	GRIMES	DIGGS (L)	BRAITMAN
<del>OGC</del>	SCHROEDER	GAMMILL	GEARIN (L)	SALTZMAN
MUNTZING/STAFF	MACCARY	KASTNER	GOULBOURNE (L)	B. HURT
CASE	KNIGHT	BALLARD	KREUTZER (E)	
GIAMBUSSO	PAWLICKI	SPANGLER	LEE (L)	PLANS
BOYD	SHAO		MAIGRET (L)	MCDONALD
MOORE (L)(LWR-2)	STELLO	ENVIRO	REED (E)	CHAPMAN
DEYOUNG (L)(LWR-1)	HOUSTON	MULLER	SERVICE (L)	DUBE w/input
SKOVHOLT (L)	NOVAK	DICKER	SHEPPARD (L)	E. COUPE
<del>GOLLER (L)</del>	ROSS	KNIGHTON	SLATER (E)	
P. COLLINS	IPPOLITO	YOUNGBLOOD	SMITH (L)	D. THOMPSON (2)
DENISE	TEDESCO	REGAN	TEETS (L)	KLECKER
<del>REG OPR</del>	LONG	PROJECT MGR	WILLIAMS (E)	EISENHUT
FILE & REGION (3)	LAINAS	<del>Scaliet</del>	WILSON (L)	
MORRIS	BENAROYA	HARLESS		
STEELE	VOLLMER			

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1 - P. R. DAVIS	1-CONSULTANTS	Rm B-127 GT
16 - ACRS <del>XXXXXX</del> Sent to Sheppard	NEWMARK/BLUME/AGBABIAN	1-RD..MUELLER, Rm F-506
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Re: Oconee Unit 1  
Docket No. 50-269

Dear Mr. Giambusso:

Section 1.2.8 of the Oconee Nuclear Station Technical Specifications states that the time between normal refuelings of the reactor should not exceed 18 months without prior approval of the AEC. Initial fuel loading of Oconee Unit 1 commenced on February 9, 1973; the 18 month interval would extend to August 9, 1974. Startup and power escalation have resulted in low initial fuel utilization. Based on current burnup data and a projected capacity factor, Oconee Unit 1 may be operated until approximately November 1, 1974 without exceeding the operating limit of 7500 effective full power hours established by Technical Specification 3.11.1 for the first core.

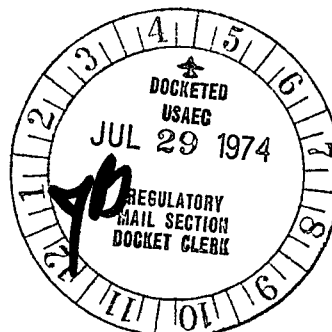
It is our understanding that the 18 month refueling period set by Section 1.2.8 is intended to assure that surveillance requirements identified in Section 4 of the Technical Specifications, which are specified as to calendar interval, are performed at intervals not exceeding 18 months. For Oconee Unit 1, all surveillance specified as to calendar interval has been performed such that the 18 month interval will not be exceeded. Therefore, we request that the Oconee 1 initial fuel cycle be extended to allow the first reactor core to be operated up to 7500 effective full power hours. We expect fuel loading for Oconee 1 to begin approximately November 1, 1974.

Very truly yours,

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