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SUBJECT: Refers to 800701 ltr requesting info re inso of fuel assembly hold-down springs. Reviewed concern & documented results in 800606 ltr forwarding RO 50-269/80-15 & safety evaluation. No further info required.

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Subject: Oconee Nuclear Station
Docket Nos. 50-269, -270, -287

Dear Sir:

In a letter dated July 1, 1980, the NRC Staff requested information related to the inspection of fuel assembly hold-down springs at Oconee as a result of the failures of similar hold-down springs at the Davis-Besse Unit 1 plant. Furthermore, the Staff requested a determination of the safety significance operating with broken springs in the core.

Duke Power has previously reviewed this concern and documented the results in my letter of June 6, 1980 which forwarded Licensee Event Report RO-269/80-15 to Mr. O'Reilly of Region II. Included in this report were the inspection results as well as a safety evaluation.

It is considered that this report adequately addresses the NRC questions in the July 1, 1980 letter and that no further information is required.

Very truly yours,

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