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Subject: Oconee Nuclear Station
Docket Nos. 50-269, -270, -287
Modification of the Emergency Power System
Proposed Revision to Technical Specifications

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50, Part 90, Attachment 1 provides a proposed amendment to the Oconee Nuclear Station (ONS) facility operating licenses and revisions to the ONS Technical Specifications. Attachment 2 provides a marked up copy of the current Technical Specifications.

The proposed amendment adds operability requirements to Technical Specification 3.7 for the Keowee Hydro units during periods of commercial power generation. These requirements are based on lake levels and the power level of the Keowee Hydro units. In addition, two surveillances are added to Technical Specification 4.6. The first surveillance addresses periodic testing of the circuitry that was added by the modification approved in the NRC's SER dated August 15, 1995. Also, a load rejection surveillance is added to ensure that the response of the Keowee Hydro units is bounded by the design criteria used to develop the Keowee operating restrictions. The proposed amendment has been reviewed and approved by the Plant Onsite Review Committee and the Nuclear Safety Review Board.

I have determined that the proposed amendment has no significant hazards considerations. Attachment 3 provides the Technical Justification for the proposed amendment and Attachment 4 provides the No Significant Hazards Consideration Evaluation. The Environmental Impact Analysis is provided as Attachment 5.

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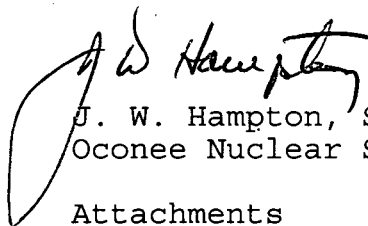
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I am forwarding a copy of this application to the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control for review and, as appropriate, subsequent consultation with the staff.

Very Truly Yours,



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Attachments

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J. W. Hampton, being duly sworn, states that he is Site Vice President of Duke Power Company, that he is authorized on the part of said Company to sign and file with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission this revision to the Oconee Nuclear Station License Nos. DPR-38, DPR-47, and DPR-55; and that all statements and matters set forth therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge.



J. W. Hampton, Vice President

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of February, 1996.



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