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Technical Specification 3.7 Amendment
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In a submittal dated March 11, 1993, Duke Power proposed changes to Oconee's electrical Technical Specifications, Sections 3.7 and 4.6. These changes will reformat the sections into a single section which is arranged similar to the Babcock and Wilcox (B&W) Standard Technical Specifications. In addition, several technical changes to the electrical Technical Specifications were included in the proposed amendment.

During the review of this amendment, the NRC had several questions which were listed in a letter to Duke Power dated September 29, 1993. In order to resolve the questions, a meeting was held on October 7, 1993. Written responses to these questions were provided in Duke Power letters dated November 29, 1993, and December 6, 1993. In addition, the need to supplement the original Technical Specification amendment request was identified during the October meeting.

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Following the NRC's review of the supplemental responses, several items were identified as needing further clarification. The NRC discussed these items with Duke Power during the fourth quarter of 1994. Also, additional issues were identified by the NRC reviewers in the first quarter of 1995. A conference call was conducted between the NRC and Duke Power on March 8, 1995, to discuss the open issues and provide additional clarification of earlier responses. The written response to the issues which were discussed during the March 8, 1995, conference call was provided to the NRC in a letter dated October 3, 1995.

In addition to the changes described in the correspondence associated with the proposed Technical Specification amendment, this supplement contains changes that Duke committed to in response to the NRC's draft reports on the Oconee emergency power system. The associated commitments are contained in the Duke letter dated October 31, 1996.

In Attachment 1, this letter provides the supplemental information, which is described in the previous submittals, to the original Technical Specification amendment request. The markup of the original Technical Specification amendment request is contained in Attachment 2. Attachment 3 provides the technical justification for the changes that are outlined in this supplement.

Inconsistencies between the original Technical Specification markup and Technical Justification were pointed out in the NRC's request for additional information dated September 29, 1993. Corrected copies of the Technical Justification and Technical Specification markups were provided to the NRC in the October 7, 1993, meeting between Duke and the NRC. Attachment 4 provides a corrected copy of the Technical Justification and Technical Specification markups.

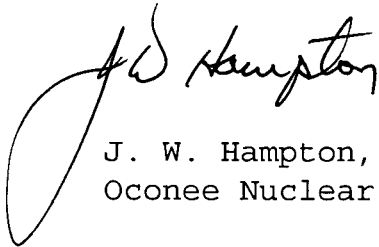
This supplement does not modify the original Environmental Impact Analysis or No Significant Hazards Consideration dated August 26, 1993. In addition, this supplement to the proposed Technical Specification amendment has been reviewed and approved by the Plant Operations Review Committee and the Nuclear Safety Review Board. This

Technical Specification supplement does not revise the Oconee Updated Final Safety Analysis Report.

Duke is reviewing the activities that are required to implement the Technical Specification 3.7 amendment. Currently, this review indicates that a 120 day grace period is necessary for the implementation of this amendment.

If there are any additional questions, please contact Michael Bailey at (864) 885-4390.

Very Truly Yours,



J. W. Hampton, Site Vice President
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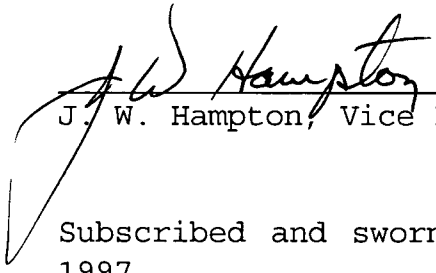
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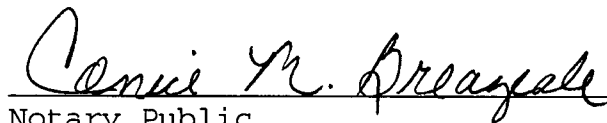
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J. W. Hampton, being duly sworn, states that he is Vice President of Duke Power Company, that he is authorized on the part of said Company to sign and file with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission this revision to the Oconee Nuclear Station License Nos. 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 27th day of February, 1997.



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