ENCLOSURE 1

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

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During an NRC inspection conducted on August 10-14, 1992, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, the violation is listed below:

10 CFR 50, Appendix B, Criterion V requires, activities affecting quality be accomplished in accordance with procedures. Oconee Nuclear Station Directive (ONSD) 4.5.5, "Problem Investigation Process (PIP)", dated 3-17-92, is the mechanism by which 10 CFR 50 Appendix B, problems are identified, documented, and responded to a level of effort and timeliness commensurate with their significance. ONSD 4.5.5, Paragraph 4, requires each employee who has knowledge of a problem, to promptly initiate a PIP document and /or report.

In 1990, activities affecting quality had not been performed in accordance with the ASME Code requirements in that, radiography of full penetrations welds on 28 relief valves had not been accomplished. On April 21, 1992 Anderson Greenwood Company (the vendor for the valves) notified Duke Power Company of the discrepancy. On August 10, 1992, the inspectors discovered that although the licensee was presently radiographing the concern welds. The licensee had not identified the problem with PIP document or report as required by ONSD 4.5.5 in order that the cause, sample expansion, and plant operability of the Code violation can be determined.

All but five of the valves had been subsequently installed in plant systems.

This is a Severity Level IV Violation (Supplement 1)

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Duke Power Company is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region II, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice,

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an order or Demand for Information may be issued as to why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Dated at Atlanta, Georgia this 15th day of September 1992