

ENCLOSURE 1

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Duke Power Company
Oconee 3

Docket No. 50-287
License No. DPR-55

During an NRC inspection conducted on January 30 - February 26, 1994, 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:

Technical Specification (TS) 6.4.1.e requires that the station be operated and maintained in accordance with approved procedures with appropriate check-off lists and instructions for preventive or corrective maintenance which could affect nuclear safety.

Block Tagout Procedure OP/3/B/1502/08, Section 3.7.2 states "The work group that is responsible for performing the work will be responsible for assuring safe working conditions of isolated equipment. This assurance should include but not be limited to communicating with operating personnel, verifying correct components are tagged and in the correct position, and checking correct tagout isolation per OFD drawings."

Contrary to the above, on January 27, 1994, safe working conditions for maintenance on the Unit 3 Main Steam Stop Valves circuitry were not assured. The work group responsible for performing the work and the operating personnel who approved the work were not aware the work was being performed on energized circuits and/or the implications on plant safety of working on these circuits while energized. This maintenance activity resulted in the inadvertent deenergization of the Unit 3 Main Feeder Buses for approximately 21 seconds, with a corresponding loss of spent fuel pool cooling for approximately 4 minutes.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I).

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 Oconee Nuclear Plant, 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, 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

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proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Dated at Atlanta, Georgia
this 16th day of March 1994