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SUBJECT: Forwards insp repts 50-269/94-31, 50-270/94-31 &  
50-287/94-31 on 940920-1103. Violations noted. Violations  
involved multiple CA program inadequacies & insufficient  
scope of ASME Section XI testing program.

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December 19, 1994

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SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION  
(NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-269/94-31, 50-270/94-31,  
AND 50-287/94-31)

Gentlemen:

This refers to the Service Water System Operational Performance Follow-up Inspection conducted by Mr. Walter G. Rogers and others of this office on September 20 through November 3, 1994. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your Oconee Nuclear Power Station. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with members of your staff identified in the enclosed inspection report.

The enclosed inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. The team assessed your progress in resolving the deficiencies from the initial Service Water System Operational Performance Inspection of 1993. Also, the team performed detailed reviews of your recent response to Generic Letter (GL) 89-13, "Service Water System Problems Affecting Safety-Related Equipment."

The team noted that while you have made some progress, your efforts in resolving a number of the original SWSOPI findings were not timely or complete as discussed in paragraph 3 in the inspection report details. Please indicate what actions you are and will be taking to improve corrective action capability in terms of timeliness and adequacy. Also, additional information is needed with respect to your GL response as outlined in paragraph 3.a of the inspection report. Please provide the additional response within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice). One violation reflected multiple corrective action program inadequacies. One violation concerned inadequate testing of the Emergency Condenser Cooling Water system's ability to supply the suction source for the Low Pressure Service Water pumps. Another violation dealt with insufficient scope of the American Society of Mechanical Engineer's Section XI testing program.

In addition, the enclosed inspection report identified certain activities that violated NRC requirements that will not be subject to enforcement action because your efforts in identifying and/or correcting the violation met the criteria specified in Section VII.B of the Enforcement Policy. These activities included inadequate procedural direction when operating the Auxiliary Service Water System.

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You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to take to prevent recurrence. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,



Albert F. Gibson, Director  
Division of Reactor Safety

Docket Nos. 50-269, 50-270, 50-287  
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Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. NRC Inspection Report

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