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SUBJECT: Ack receipt of 940408 ltr informing NRC of steps taken to correct violations noted in insp repts 50-269/93-31, 50-270/93-31 & 50-287/93-31. Concludes that blowdown of SG following single line break constitutes unreviewed concern.

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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-269/93-31, 50-270/93-31 AND
50-287/93-31

Gentlemen:

This concerns your responses to our Notice of Deviation issued on January 25, 1994, concerning activities conducted at your Oconee facility. As indicated in our letter dated March 18, 1994, your February 24, 1994 response to Deviation 50-269,270,287/93-31-01 did not adequately address the NRC concerns of simultaneously blowing down both steam generators in the event of a steam line break in the auxiliary steam header downstream of motor operated valves MS-24 and MS-33. Accordingly, you supplemented your initial response on April 8, 1994, with an engineering evaluation of the postulated break scenario. As addressed under the enclosed Task Interface Agreement (TIA 94-03), we have now completed our review of your engineering evaluation and have concluded that a blowdown of both steam generators following a single line break constitutes an unreviewed safety question. Therefore, Duke Power Company should take appropriate corrective action to address this concern. Additionally, since the vulnerability to blowdown both steam generators is not addressed in the Final Safety Analysis Report, it should be reported under 10 CFR 50.72(b)(ii)(B).

Due to the importance of this matter, it is requested that you be prepared to discuss your immediate corrective actions during a telephone conference scheduled for January 9, 1995. Following this telephone conference, please submit to this office a written statement describing steps which have been taken to correct Deviation 50-269,270,287/93-31-01 and the results achieved, corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further deviations, and the date when corrective action will be completed.

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We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Original signed by
Ellis W. Merschoff, Director
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