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Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

Your letters of September 29 and November 24, 1978 and March 19, 1979 transmitted OIE Bulletins 78-12, -12A, and -12B, respectively, concerning atypical weld material in reactor pressure vessel welds. In a letter dated March 13, 1979 Babcock and Wilcox, the Oconee NSSS vendor, submitted to the Commission a report entitled, "Records Investigation Report Related to Off-Chemistry Welds in Material Surveillance Specimens and Response to IE Bulletins 78-12 and 78-12A - Supplement." This report contains information on weld materials used in fabrication of Babcock and Wilcox pressure vessels, including the three Oconee reactor vessels. It is considered that this report accurately represents data for these vessels.

Very truly yours,

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