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Re: Oconee Nuclear Station
Units 1, 2, and 3
Docket Numbers 50-269, -270, -287
IE Bulletin 79-05

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

With regard to Oconee Nuclear Station, Duke Power Company received IE Bulletin 79-05B as of 1525 hours April 21, 1979. In response to Item 3 of the Bulletin, prior to 1525 hours April 22, 1979, the Reactor Protective System "High RCS Pressure" setpoint for the Oconee units has been lowered to not greater than 2300 psig and the pressurizer power operated relief valve setpoint has been raised to nominally 2450 psig.

These changes are considered to reduce the likelihood of automatic actuation of the pressurizer PORV during anticipated transients, without increasing the frequency of pressurizer safety valve operation for such anticipated transients. This conclusion is based on a review of Enclosure 1 to IEB 79-05B and our cognizance of information exchanged on this matter in recent days between the NSSS vendor for Oconee, Babcock and Wilcox, and the NRC Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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Very truly yours,

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