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Re: RII:JPO
50-269, -270, -287

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

Regarding IE Bulletin 80-18, which was transmitted by your letter of July 24, 1980, Duke Power Company has reviewed the Oconee High Pressure Injection (HPI) pumps and has concluded that the subject bulletin does not apply to the Oconee Nuclear Station. The minimum flow lines for the Oconee HPI pumps are always open during normal operation, are not isolated by a Safety Injection (SI) signal, and therefore are always available during all conditions requiring SI. In addition, each minimum flow line serves as a protection for its HPI pump against "dead heading" in the event that the discharge line is isolated with the pump operating. Cooling of the pump motor is provided separately by the Low Pressure Service Water System.

The HPI flow for each pump assumed in the Oconee Safety Analyses was based upon a value of HPI flow measured downstream of the minimum flow line, with the minimum flow line in its normal open state. Thus, the presence of the HPI minimum flow line and its state are of no consequence to the applicability of these safety related analyses.

Very truly yours,

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