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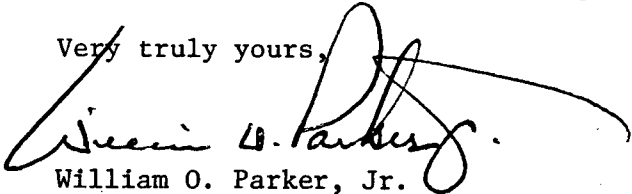
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Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

In response to IE Bulletin 79-18 transmitted by your letter of August 29, 1979, a complete survey of the Oconee Nuclear Station paging system was conducted. A brief description of the results of this survey was provided by my letter of October 11, 1979. Subsequent to this, it has been decided by Duke Power to install a completely new alarm system which is independent of the existing paging system rather than correct the deficiencies that were identified during the survey of this system. It is felt that this will be a significantly better overall system than the existing paging system.

Consequently, the previously committed date is no longer valid. It is presently anticipated that the design work for the new alarm system will be completed by March 1, 1980 with installation complete in all accessible areas by May 31, 1980. Inaccessible areas will be completed at the next available outage of sufficient duration following receipt of required materials and completion of design work.

Very truly yours,


William O. Parker, Jr.

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