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Subject: Duke Power Company  
Oconee Nuclear Station  
Docket No. 50-287  
Second Ten Year Interval  
Request for Relief 94-07  
Supplemental Information

Per a phone conversation with the NRR Project Manager on April 10, 1995, additional information was requested to assist NRC in review of Relief Request 94-07. The following questions and answers are provided:

1) Have there been any new developments in the examination of subject four welds to increase code coverage?

There have been no new developments in the examination process that would increase coverage of the subject welds. However, Duke plans to stay abreast of any new developments and implement them during the scheduled ISI Examinations.

2) In part 5 of the relief request, Duke states that ASME Section III requirements were satisfied. What Section III examinations were performed on the Letdown Heat Exchanger?

The 3A Letdown Heat Exchanger was built to ASME Section III Class 3 requirements. The manufacturer performed surface exams (Penetrant Tests) on the root and final pass on the welds which Relief Request 94-07 addresses. In addition, the manufacturer performed a hydrostatic test on the heat exchanger. After the heat exchanger was received by Oconee and before it was placed in service, Duke performed pre-installation surface and volumetric examinations as required by ASME Section XI. An acceptable system leakage test was also performed by Duke following installation of the heat exchanger.

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3) Per part 4 of the relief request, what were the results of the NDE and hydrotests on the Letdown Heat Exchanger?

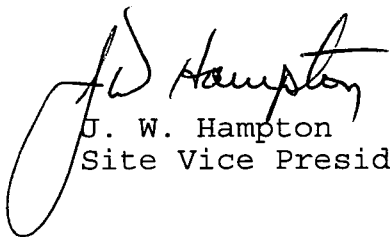
The manufacturer's NDE and the hydrotests were acceptable per ASME Section III, 1986 Edition, 1988 Addenda, Class 3 requirements.

4) Is it the intent of the licensee to apply this relief request to inservice examination requirements for welds on the Letdown Heat Exchanger?

No. This relief request is solely to seek relief from Pre-service inspection requirements specified in ASME Section XI for installation of the 3A Letdown Heat Exchanger. Inservice inspection requirements for the 3A Letdown Heat Exchanger have been scheduled for the Third Inservice Inspection Interval. If the ASME Section XI requirements for these scheduled examinations for this heat exchanger cannot be met, then they will be addressed by a separate relief request.

If you have questions or need further information you may contact D. A. Nix at (803) 885-3634.

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