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BEFORE THE
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

In the matter of
APPLICATION OF DUKE POWER COMPANY
for licenses under the Atomic Energy
Act of 1954, as amended, for the
Construction and Operation of Coconee
Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3.

Packet Nos.
SC-259
SC-279
SC-287

Coconee County Courthouse,
Walhalla, South Carolina.

Tuesday, 29 August 1967

The hearing was held the above-entitled
matter beginning at 10:00 a.m.

BEFORE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD:

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P R O C E E D I N G S

CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Please come to order.

This proceeding is a hearing convened by the United States Atomic Energy Commission in accordance with a Notice of Hearing issued by the Commission on July 24, 1967 setting this time and place for the consideration of an application filed by Duke Power Company which seeks permission to construct a nuclear utilization facility which it has designated as the Oconee Nuclear Station Units 1, 2, and 3.

The Notice of Hearing issued by the United States Atomic Energy Commission was given general public distribution which included publication in the Federal Register on July 27, 1967 as reflected by Volume 32 of the Federal Register at page 10,996.

In addition to that general public notice of the Notice of Hearing a so-called public release was issued by the Public Information Section of the Atomic Energy Commission making all of that information available to newspapers and other news media within this area and generally throughout the nation.

The application filed by Duke Power Company has been filed pursuant to the provisions of Section 104(b) of the Atomic Energy Act as amended and seeks to construct three separate nuclear units, each designed to initially

1 operate at 2,452 megawatts thermal. The application seeks
2 a provisional construction permit for each of these three
3 nuclear units which are pressurized water reactors and are
4 proposed to be located in Oconee County approximately eight
5 miles northeast of Seneca, South Carolina.

6 The Notice of Hearing, in addition to providing
7 for the evidentiary hearing which is here assembled, also
8 provided for a pre-hearing conference. That pre-hearing
9 conference was scheduled to convene and did convene in
10 this courtroom in Walhalla, South Carolina, on August 15,
11 1967 and considered those matters within the scope of the
12 Rules of Practice of the Atomic Energy Commission relating
13 to pre-hearing conferences in general dealing with
14 procedural matters which would aid in an expeditious
15 presentation of evidence and the consideration of the matters
16 before this hearing.

17 At the pre-hearing conference there were
18 represented Duke Power Company by its counsel and its
19 vice president, the Regulatory Staff of the Atomic Energy
20 Commission was present by its technical assistants and two
21 attorneys and in addition, there were present attorneys on
22 behalf of 11 cities and towns which presented for consideration
23 their petition seeking intervention as well as their motion
24 to dismiss the application.
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1 No decision was made on any of the matters considered
2 at the pre-hearing conference for the reason that no evidence
3 was presented, and the pre-hearing conference was intended to
4 and did concern itself with procedural matters. Reference
5 was made, however, to the fact that certain persons here in
6 Walhalla had sought permission to participate under the Rules
7 of Practice of the Commission by way of limited participation.

8 Mention was made of those individuals, and mention
9 was also made of the fact that an order had been entered
10 granting the request of those persons to make limited partici-
11 pations at this, the evidentiary hearing in this proceeding.
12 Those persons were Mr. Joel T. Rogers, Mayor of the Town of
13 Walhalla; Sned Schumacher, State Senator of Oconee County;
14 and Rees Hubbard, Supervisor of Oconee County.

15 At a later time a specific request will be made, if
16 those individuals do desire to make a limited participation at
17 this evidentiary hearing. At the outset of an evidentiary
18 hearing, the Atomic Energy Commission desires that a statement
19 be made in reference to procedures and the scope of the proceed-
20 ing and other matters which will inform the parties and the
21 persons attending the hearing to be acquainted with the matters
22 which will be under consideration and the manner in which that
23 consideration will be given in this evidentiary hearing.

24 This hearing will be conducted by an Atomic Safety
25 and Licensing Board provided by the Congress by an amendment

1 to the Atomic Energy Act. The Congress provided an Atomic
2 Safety and Licensing Board would consist of two technical mem-
3 bers and a person familiar with the conduct of administrative
4 proceedings. We three sitting here constitute the Atomic Safety
5 and Licensing Board appointed and designated by the Atomic Energy
6 Commission for this proceeding.

7 On my left and on your right is Dr. John Buck of the
8 Budd Company of Philadelphia, who has been long engaged in
9 nuclear matters, particularly instrumentation, for some period
10 of time. On my right and on your left is Dr. Hugh Paxton of
11 the Los Alamos Laboratory, operated by the University of Calif-
12 ornia at Los Alamos, New Mexico.

13 Dr. Paxton has been likewise long engaged in nuclear
14 research for many years. Neither Dr. Buck nor Dr. Paxton is
15 in any wise regularly employed by the United States Government.
16 They have been appointed to be independent technical consult-
17 ants to consider the matters of evidence which will be presented
18 in this proceeding.

19 My name is Sam Jensch. I am a hearing examiner
20 designated by the United States Civil Service Commission and
21 presently assigned to the Atomic Energy Commission. No one of
22 us on this Board has had any prior connection with the
23 evidentiary matters which have been submitted by way of the
24 application and the amendment prior to the time of the appoint-
25 ment by the Atomic Energy Commission for participation in this
proceeding.

1 This proceeding will be conducted in accordance with
2 the U. S. Atomic Energy Act as amended, the Rules of Practice
3 of the Atomic Energy Commission, and the Administrative Proce-
4 dure Act as modified by the Atomic Energy Act.

5 In accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act,
6 this Board would only consider reliable and probative and
7 substantial evidence as defined by the Administrative Procedure
8 Act. No other matters will be received or considered by this
9 Board.

10 As is apparent to everybody, this proceeding will be
11 recorded by preparation of a transcript. The pre-hearing con-
12 ference was also recorded in the same manner. The transcript
13 of the pre-hearing conference has been filed in the Public
14 Document Room at the Atomic Energy Commission, and is available
15 for review by any member of the public.

16 The transcript of this proceeding will be similarly
17 handled. After the completion of the transcript, it will be
18 filed in the Public Document Room and available for review by
19 any member of the public. A reference is made to the transcript
20 of the pre-hearing conference for further matters that were
21 considered and likewise all parties are informed to be familiar
22 with the contents of this transcript, to be aware of the progress
23 of the proceeding and other matters of interest to them.

24 Since the pre-hearing conference, and in accordance
25 with provisions made at the pre-hearing conference, a brief

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1 has been received from the petitioners, and when I use the
2 term "petitioners" I refer to the 11 cities and towns to which
3 reference was earlier made and likewise petitioner Piedmont
4 Cities Electric Supply, Inc., which was also a petitioner in
5 a joint petition filed with those 11 cities and towns.

6 A brief has also been received from the Regulatory
7 Staff of the Atomic Energy Commission in reference to matters
8 which were considered at the pre-hearing conference and,
9 briefly, related to the standing or the interest which the
10 petitioners have legally to participate in this proceeding and
11 also to consider the contention raised by the would-be petition-
12 ers in reference to the motion to dismiss the application.

13 The notion to dismiss the application is based upon
14 the ground that the proceeding by Duke Power Company related
15 to Section 104(b) was not applicable to the application filed,
16 and that another section of the Act should be applied to this
17 proceeding. After a consideration of the briefs and the argu-
18 ments which were made at the pre-hearing conference, two orders
19 were entered by this Board yesterday.
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1 The official record of those orders is available
2 to any member of the public, and for complete details
3 respecting those orders a reference should be made to those
4 orders.

5 For brevity, however, reference may be made to
6 the fact that this Board denied the petition of Piedmont
7 Cities Power Supply, Inc, to participate in this proceeding
8 upon the ground that it didn't have a legal interest
9 recognizable by this Board or the Atomic Energy Commission
10 for consideration in this proceeding.

11 The order, however, granted the petition to
12 intervene by the Cities of Statesville, High Point, Lexington,
13 Monroe, Shelby and Albemarle and the Towns of Cornelius,
14 Drexel, Granite Falls, Newton, Lincolton, all in North
15 Carolina.

16 As indicated, the reasons and the discussion in
17 reference to the petition are set forth in the order to
18 which reference should be made for complete details concerning
19 the order.

20 The second order entered by this Board considered
21 the motion to dismiss filed by the now permitted intervenors,
22 namely the eleven cities and towns just enumerated. The
23 order denied the motion to dismiss the application filed
24 by Duke Power Company in reference to Oconee Nuclear Station
25 Units 1 and 2 for the reason that in the opinion and judgment

1 of this Board, Section 104(b) of the Atomic Energy Act
2 does apply to the application as filed in reference to
3 the Oconee Nuclear Station Units Nos. 1 and 2.

4 The order in addition to that denial deferred
5 the decision respecting the Duke Power Company Oconee
6 Nuclear Power Station No. 3 for the reasons set forth
7 in the order to which reference should be made, but
8 specifically and briefly, setting forth the order, the
9 reasons were that it is not evident that Duke will, even
10 under a changing technology construct the Oconee Unit in
11 any substantially different design than that which is
12 experienced both in design and operation of its Unit 1 and
13 2 indicates it prudent and feasible. The board concluded,
14 therefore, that a decision respecting Oconee Unit 3 must
15 be deferred until further data are available.

16 The order provided as a procedural matter in
17 accordance with Section 2.730F of the Atomic Energy Commission
18 Rules of Practice that these rulings are referred to the
19 Commission for review to permit the Atomic Energy Commission
20 to have a prompt consideration of the orders entered by
21 this Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, and if desired by
22 the Commission to make such change, motion or direction as
23 it will be helpful for the Board in this proceeding and the
24 parties thereto.

25 There has not been received any other request

1 for permission to intervene in the proceedings so far as
2 this Board is advised.

3 In addition, prior to the convening of this
4 evidentiary hearing today, a proposed correction of transcript
5 dealing with some matters in reference to the transcript
6 of the pre-hearing conference was served upon the participants
7 of the pre-hearing conference.

8 The Atomic Energy Commission also desires that
9 some explanation be given at the outset of the hearing
10 concerning two methods by which persons may participate in
11 this proceeding in accordance with the Rules of Practice
12 of the Commission, one of which is by formal petition to
13 intervene of the kind just described in reference to the
14 eleven cities and towns. The Rules of Practice set forth
15 the interests that must be asserted by a person seeking to
16 participate in this proceeding by such a formal petition.

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1 Briefly the petition must set forth an interest
2 likely to be affected by the decision to be reached in this
3 proceeding and to set forth the contentions which would be
4 asserted by a person if permission were granted to intervene.
5 If intervention is granted following a consideration of the
6 petition and the objections or comments in reference thereto,
7 such an intervenor becomes a party to the proceeding and
8 may participate by the presentation of evidence the
9 enterings of witnesses and in all respects as any other
10 party to the proceeding.

11 The second method by which participation may be
12 had in a proceeding of this kind as outlined by the Rules
13 of Practice of the Atomic Energy Commission is by way of
14 limited participation. In that method a person who does not
15 seek to intervene or who does not have such an interest
16 that could be considered for intervention in this proceeding
17 may nevertheless make such statement in reference to the
18 issues which had been set forth by the Commission for
19 consideration at the proceeding and express his views and
20 comments in reference to those issues. Such statements are
21 not evidence.

22 However, the Commission desires that person
23 nevertheless have an opportunity to express themselves and
24 particularly to raise such questions as may be in their
25 minds so the parties to the proceeding may give consideration

1 to those questions and present evidence in reference to those
2 questions if so desired. Or if there are any unanswered
3 questions that the members of the public who are generally
4 those who are seeking to participate by way of limited
5 participation, the questions can be considered at this
6 evidentiary hearing.

7 it has been the practice, it may be stated, in
8 these proceedings that if members of the public desire to
9 discuss certain aspects of this proceeding the Atomic
10 Energy Commission intends that its Regulatory Staff be
11 available to the members of the public to discuss with them
12 outside of the hearing if they desire or in recesses
13 any matters which may be of concern to them to aid the members
14 of the public in a better understanding of the scope of the
15 proceeding, the issues that have been prescribed for
16 consideration and the character of the evidence that will be
17 adduced in reference to those issues.

18 In accordance with that policy of the Atomic
19 Energy Commission, the same invitation is given to the
20 members of the public to confer with the members of the
21 Regulatory Staff of this Commission who will identify them-
22 selves when we request a statement of appearances for
23 this proceeding.

24 The hours of this proceeding will generally be
25 from 10 o'clock in the morning to convene until 12:30 at

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1 which time we will take the noon recess to permit procure-
2 ment of lunch and consultation in reference to the
3 proceedings and reconvene at 2 o'clock and proceed until
4 4:30 or 5, the latter hour depending upon the progress of
5 the case, whether a witness is on the stand and in the
6 process of completion ^{of} a portion of his testimony.

7 These hours are subject to change and persons
8 desiring to be informed concerning the precise hours of
9 each day's hearings should be familiar with the progress
10 of the matter by their attendance or by reference to the
11 public transcript. These hours may be changed at the
12 suggestion or convenience of the parties or their witnesses
13 and in order to expeditiously permit the presentation of
14 evidence. By that, I mean on some occasions we may meet
15 at 9:30, we may go until 6 o'clock if the circumstances
16 require or latter.

17 We will endeavor to accommodate the parties and
18 their witnesses as well as the members of the public who
19 desire to participate by way of limited participation.

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1 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: If we may just interrupt our
2 discussion in reference to procedures for a moment and
3 request those gentlemen in the back to kindly close their
4 doors. We are getting a glare which makes it difficult
5 for us to look towards the witnesses and other participants
6 in the proceeding.

7 Thank you.

8 The Regulatory Staff of the Commission will be
9 requested in accordance with the usual practice to make
10 an outline of the matters which the Regulatory Staff have
11 considered and the processes that they have undergone prior
12 to the presentation of evidence in this proceeding.

13 Undoubtedly they will make reference to the
14 statutory group prescribed by the Congress and designated
15 as the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards which is
16 likewise an independent technical group appointed by the
17 Commission pursuant to the direction for the Congress to
18 independently review the technical aspects of this application.

19 This record indicates that the Advisory Committee
20 on Reactor Safeguards has reviewed this application and
21 all amendments thereto and has submitted its report as a
22 consultant to the Atomic Energy Commission. That report by
23 the Advisory Committee is likewise a matter of public
24 record and available for review by any member of the public.

25 Reference will again be made to the notice of

1 hearing issued by the Atomic Energy Commission for general
2 information of the issues which the Commission has prescribed
3 for consideration in this proceeding.

4 The Commission, in this review of the application
5 and amendments thereto, as well as a consideration of the
6 report by the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, has
7 prescribed that the following issues shall be considered
8 in this proceeding as follows: one, whether in accordance
9 with the provisions of 10CFR, and that abbreviation refers
10 to Code of Federal Regulations which are prescribed by Acts
11 of Congress that each agency provide for the conduct of
12 proceedings -- in accordance with Section 10CFR, Subsection
13 50.35A, the applicant, and the applicant here is Duke Power
14 Company, whether the applicant has described the proposed
15 design of the facilities, including but not limited to
16 the principal architectural and engineering criteria for
17 the design and has identified the major features or components
18 incorporated therein for the protection of the health and
19 safety of the public; B, whether such further technical
20 or design information as may be required to complete the
21 Safety Analysis and which can reasonably be left for later
22 consideration will be supplied in the final Safety Analysis
23 Reports; C, whether safety features or components, if any,
24 which require research and development have been described
25 by the applicant and the applicant has identified, and there

1 will be conducted a research and development program
2 reasonably designed to resolve any safety questions
3 associated with such features or components; and, D,
4 whether on the basis of the foregoing there is reasonable
5 assurance that, first, such safety questions will be
6 satisfactorily resolved at or before the latest date
7 stated in the application for completion of construction
8 of the proposed facilities, and, second, taking into
9 consideration the site criteria contained in 10CFR, Part 100,
10 the proposed facilities can be constructed and operated
11 at the proposed location without undue risk to the health
12 and safety of the public. Secondly, the issue of whether
13 the applicant is technically qualified to design and
14 construct the proposed facilities. Thirdly, whether the
15 applicant is financially qualified to design and construct
16 the proposed facilities. And finally, fourth, whether the
17 issuance of permits for the construction of the facilities
18 will be inimical to the common defense and security or to
19 the health and safety of the public.

20 A final statement that the Commission desires to
21 be presented at the outset of a hearing is in reference to
22 the jurisdiction of the Atomic Energy Commission as conferred
23 by the Congress upon the Commission to provide for the
24 consideration that can be entertained by the Commission of
25 such an application as filed by Duke Power Company.

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At this hearing this Atomic Safety and Licensing Board and ultimately for decision by the Atomic Energy Commission, inquiry will be made whether the Duke Power Company should be granted a provisional construction permit to build a nuclear reactor facility and the three units described in this application which will be used to produce electric energy.

As is the case with any plant which produces electricity, a number of public agencies may have an interest in one or more aspects of the construction of the plant, its operation and the transmission and sale of its electrical energy.

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1 The particular plant with which we are concerned
2 differs from most other plants in that it will produce
3 electricity by a nuclear process rather than by some other
4 means. That is why this hearing is being held before an
5 Atomic Safety and Licensing Board appointed by the Atomic
6 Energy Commission.

7 This Commission, for the sake of brevity, will be
8 referred to perhaps several times in this proceeding as
9 the AEC. The AEC, however, regulates only some and not all
10 of the matters involved in the construction and operation of
11 nuclear reactors. The AEC regulatory functions are limited
12 by law to essentially two areas. One, public health and
13 safety. And two, the common defense and security.

14 The issues in this case fall within these two
15 areas.

16 With respect to the first area, public health
17 and safety, the AEC regulatory issue is further restricted
18 to public health and safety questions related to the special
19 characteristics of nuclear materials and atomic energy.
20 These are sometimes referred to as radiological hazards or
21 nuclear hazards or perhaps it should be considerations of
22 safety in reference to nuclear materials.

23 Questions about other aspects of health and safety
24 or other aspects of the plant not falling within the areas
25 of radiological health and safety and the common defense

1 and security are not within the AEC's jurisdiction and will
 2 not be considered at this hearing. Thus we will not consider
 3 such matters as the possible thermal effects as opposed to
 4 radiological effects of the facility and its operation on the
 5 environment, the effect of the construction of the facility
 6 on the recreational, economic, or political activities of
 7 the area near the site or any matters of aesthetics.

8 Some of you who may be present here today may have
 9 questions concerning aspects of the plant which are not
 10 involved in this hearing. It may be helpful to you if I
 11 request the Regulatory Staff to identify in a general
 12 manner some of the other governmental agencies that have or
 13 may have a regulatory interest in matters of this kind.

14 Therefore I inquire of the staff counsel of the
 15 Regulatory Staff of the Atomic Energy Commission what state
 16 and local agencies have an interest in the non-radiological
 17 aspects of the plant. I am sure the staff counsel or his
 18 assistants have consulted or have been informed concerning
 19 state and local agencies and before his response, will he
 20 kindly identify himself and his assistants and thereby
 21 in effect will you kindly make an appearance now on behalf
 22 of the Regulatory Staff of the Atomic Energy Commission in
 23 this proceeding?

24 MR. ENGELHARDT: Appearing on behalf of the
 25 Regulatory Staff of the Atomic Energy Commission is Thomas

1 F. Engelhardt. My address is U. S. Atomic Energy Commission,
2 Washington, D. C.

3 To my right is my associate counsel, Mr. Robert
4 E. Turtz of the same address.

5 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you.

6 Will you respond in reference to the state and
7 local agencies?

8 MR. ENGELHARDT: Yes, sir.

9 I have ^{had} had an occasion to consult with Mr. Harris M.
10 Lightsey, Jr., Assistant Attorney General for the State
11 of South Carolina who has informed me --

12 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Are you able to use the micro-
13 phone? I know several people ^{are} are straining to hear. Can you
14 hold the microphone up a bit?

15 MR. ENGELHARDT: Would it be better if I sat for
16 this purpose?

17 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: If you can lift that out of
18 your container or --

19 MR. ENGELHARDT: Why don't we defer -- oh, here
20 it is.

21 Yes, Mr. Lightsey has informed me that the following
22 South Carolina state agencies would have a concern in the
23 non-radiological aspects of this facility: The State Board
24 of Health, Division of Sanitary Engineering. The Pollution
25 Control Authority. The Public Service Commission. The

1 Atomic Energy Advisory Board. And the Development Board
2 of the State of South Carolina.

3 In addition of course the State of -- rather,
4 the County of Oconee would also have an interest in this
5 facility since the facility will be built within the confines
6 of that county.

7 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Are you able to say whether or not
8 communication has been had with any or all of these agencies
9 to which you refer?

10 MR. ENGELHAF T: The Regulatory Staff has kept
11 the State of South Carolina through its Governor fully
12 informed of the development of this application by sending,
13 furnishing copies of the application to the Governor's
14 office and information related to that application and the
15 fact that the application was forwarded to the Governor
16 and to various state agencies.

17 The applicant on the other hand has kept the
18 supervisor of Oconee County, who is the chief officer of the
19 county, fully informed of the development of this application
20 and has furnished him with copies of that application.

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CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you. Turning now to other agencies which may have an interest in a proceeding of this kind, or rather in a nuclear plant of this kind, as will be evident from the evidence which this Board understands will be adduced at this proceeding in the light of the statements made at the pre-hearing conference, a nuclear power plant, like other industrial plants, may discharge liquids into adjacent waters. The radioactive effects of these discharges, if any, are of course regulated by the Atomic Energy Commission. However, other effects of the discharges which might affect the quality of the water may be controlled by the Federal Water Pollution Control Administration of the Department of Interior. That agency is charged with the administration of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, which authorizes proceedings for the abatement of pollution of interstate or navigable waters.

Similarly, gaseous discharges, if any, which might result in air pollution other than radiological, may be controlled by the Federal Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. That agency is charged with the administration of The Federal Clean Air Act, which authorizes proceedings for the abatement of air pollution endangering the health or welfare of any person.

When a person such as Duke Power Company wishes to construct a plant which involves the building of a structure such as a wharf or breakwater in navigable waters outside

or2 1 established harbor lines, he must, if the construction will
2 require excavation or filling of a navigable water, and in
3 certain other circumstances, obtain an authorization from
4 the United States Corps of Engineers of the Department of the
5 Army. In such cases, the Corps of Engineers is primarily
6 interested in eliminating or avoiding hazards to navigation.

7 A plant which generates electrical energy for trans-
8 mission in interstate commerce or for sale at wholesale in
9 interstate commerce is subject to some of the provisions of
10 the regulatory provisions of the Federal Power Act. That Act
11 is administered by the Federal Power Commission, which regulates
12 such matters as the wholesale interstate rates charged for
13 electricity, accounting practices, mergers, and consolidations
14 with other utilities or companies and in certain cases the
15 issuance of securities.

16 In some instances involving public utility holding
17 companies or their subsidiaries, the Federal Securities and
18 Exchange Commission requirements rather than those of the
19 Federal Power Commission would be applicable to owners and
20 operators of nuclear power facilities with respect to the
21 purchase and sale of securities, utility properties and other
22 assets, as well as the approval of reorganizations, mergers,
23 and consolidations.

24 As indicated, if you have any questions or concerns
25 about the scope of these other public agencies, this Board will

cr3 1 undertake to extend the invitation of the Atomic Energy
2 Commission and invite your consultation with the Regulatory
3 Staff of this Commission in reference to any concerns you may
4 have as to the scope or jurisdiction of other Federal agencies.

5 That completes the procedural and the outline of the
6 scope of the matters intended to be considered at this proceed-
7 ing. Before anything further, let us proceed to a statement
8 of appearances on behalf of the parties to this proceeding.
9 First, is there an appearance on behalf of the applicant,
10 Duke Power Company?

11 MR. GRIGG: Yes. Mr. Chairman. My name is William
12 H. Grigg. I am assistant and general counsel of Duke Power
13 Company. My address is 422 South Church Street, Charlotte,
14 North Carolina. Also appearing on behalf of the applicant,
15 on my right, Mr. Carl Horn, Jr., vice president and finance
16 of Duke Power Company of the same address, and on his right,
17 Mr. Roy B. Snapp, attorney, whose address is 1725 K Street,
18 Northwest, Washington, D. C.

19 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you, sir. The appearance
20 having been entered by the Regulatory Staff of the Atomic
21 Energy Commission, inquiry is now made as to whether there is
22 an appearance on behalf of those cities and towns which have
23 been permitted to intervene in this proceeding in accordance
24 with an order of this Atomic Safety and Licensing Board entered
25 on August 28, 1967.

or4 1 MR. HARRIS: Yes, Mr. Chairman. My name is Jack R.
2 Harris of Suite 207, Stimson-Wagner Building, Statesville,
3 North Carolina. I have with me Mr. J. O. Tally, Jr., of
4 Fayetteville, North Carolina, whose address is Post Office
5 Drawer 1660. In addition, there appears Mr. Spencer W. Reeder
6 of the Spencer Building, St. Michaels, Maryland. We are here
7 on behalf of those cities and towns that have previously been
8 enumerated by yourself, and I will not so enumerate them.

9 In addition, you also are aware that we represent
10 that non-profit corporation, Piedmont Cities Power Supply, Inc.,
11 for whatever purpose that we may be able to appear for them.

12 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you, sir. Is there any person
13 present here who seeks to participate in this proceeding by
14 formal intervention?

15 The Board hears no such request. At the outset of
16 these hearings, opportunity is given as indicated for a limited
17 participation in this proceeding, and inquiry will soon be made
18 in reference to that matter. Did you have a statement, Staff
19 Counsel?

20 MR. ENGELHARDT: Yes, Mr. Chairman. I think unless
21 you are deferring until you make -- until you identified limited
22 appearers, that Mr. Lightsey, representing the State of South
23 Carolina, is also present here today.

24 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Mr. Lightsey, we welcome you to
25 the proceeding. As indicated at the pre-hearing conference,

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1 we invite you to stand and make your statements in reference
2 to any of these matters whenever your interest so dictates,
3 without specific request. Will you, for this record, as you
4 did for the pre-hearing conference, kindly enter your appear-
5 ance? The State of South Carolina didn't file a formal petition
6 to intervene, but participates in this proceeding in accordance
7 with the Rules of Practice of the Atomic Energy Commission which
8 permit a state to participate in the proceeding and to interro-
9 gate witnesses and to make such recommendations and contentions
10 as it sees fit. Will you proceed, Mr. Lightsey?

11 MR. LIGHTSEY: Yes, Mr. Chairman. On behalf of the
12 State of South Carolina and the various State agencies, I
13 would enter the limited appearance pursuant to Section 2.715
14 of the Atomic Energy Act. My name is Harry M. Lightsey, Jr.,
15 Assistant Attorney General of the State of South Carolina,
16 1213 Lady Street, Columbia, South Carolina. Thank you.

17 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you, sir. Before proceeding,
18 the attention of the parties, as well as the members of the
19 public, is directed to a recent order of the Atomic Energy
20 Commission dated August 25, 1967, in reference to this
21 application filed by Duke Power Company. By that order,
22 which was indicated in a letter order and which likewise has
23 been made part of the public record and available for review
24 by any member of the public, the Atomic Energy Commission
25 considered a request filed by Duke Power Company pursuant to

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Section 50.12 of the Rules of Practice of the Commission to permit the performance by Duke Power Company of certain work at the site of the proposed Oconee Nuclear Station, Unit No. 1, prior to determination whether there would be the issuance of a construction permit by the Commission.

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1 The letter order by the Atomic Energy Commission
2 states that the presentation made by Duke Power Company
3 in support of that request indicated that the design of
4 the Oconee containment structures is such that the tendon
5 access and inspection galleries must be completed before re-
6 enforcing steel for the base slabs may be placed.

7 Duke Power Company represented that the scheduling
8 of the construction of the galleries is critical and must
9 occur at an early stage. Otherwise the placing of the
10 steel for the base slab can't be undertaken and the start
11 of construction of the Oconee Unit No. 1 facility would be
12 delayed some six weeks after a construction permit if the
13 Commission determined that a construction permit should be
14 issued in this proceeding.

15 The Commission indicated that it had considered
16 the application, the request, in reference to the application
17 which was then a part of the public record in the proceeding
18 and the Commission stated that it had determined that an
19 exemption under the provisions of Section 50.10(b) of the
20 Rules of Practice of the Commission should be granted for
21 the reason that in granting the exemption it will not
22 endanger life or property or the common defense and security
23 and is otherwise in the public interest, and therefore the
24 Commission authorized Duke Power Company to construct only
25 the tendon access gallery for Unit No. 1 at the Oconee

1 nuclear station site.

2 The Commission emphasized, however, that the
3 granting of this exemption shall have no effect upon the
4 subsequent grant or denial of a construction permit which
5 Duke Power Company seeks in this proceeding, and any work
6 performed pursuant to this exemption would be performed
7 entirely at the risk of Duke Power Company.

8 Likewise the granting, the Commission order, of
9 this exemption does not constitute an approval of the type
10 or the adequacy of the method of its installation.

11 Before calling for statements from limited
12 participants, there has been received by the Atomic Energy
13 Commission two communications to which reference was earlier
14 made, one from Senator Strom Thurmond, U. S. Senator from
15 the State of South Carolina, and second, a communication
16 from Senator Ernest Hollings, United States Senator from
17 South Carolina. These statements from Senator Thurmond
18 and Senator Hollings have been made a part of the public
19 record and are available for public review.

20 Inquiry is now made of the parties if there is
21 any objection to having those statements incorporated within
22 the transcript as if read.

23 Does the applicant have any objection?

24 MR. GRIGG: No objection.

25 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Are you familiar with those

1 statements by review of the public record of this proceeding?

2 MR. GRIGG: We are.

3 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Does the staff have any objection?

4 MR. ENGELHARDT: Staff is familiar with these
5 statements. It has no objections to their inclusion in the
6 record.

7 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Intervenors?

8 MR. HARRIS: No objection.

9 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: State of South Carolina?

10 These statements are brief and may be of interest
11 to the public who may not have had an opportunity to review
12 the public record.

13 The statement by Senator Strom Thurmond is as
14 follows. It is addressed to Chairman Seaborg of the Atomic
15 Energy Commission. The Senator states:

16 "As the senior Senator representing the
17 State of South Carolina I am making this state-
18 ment in support of the application of Duke Power
19 Company to construct this proposed three-unit
20 Oconee Nuclear Station in Oconee County, South
21 Carolina. While I have not examined in detail
22 the technical design of the Oconee Plant, I have
23 followed with great interest the development of
24 the nuclear power industry. Increasingly public
25 utilities are turning to the atom as a source of

1 electric power generation. I believe that
2 experience has shown that they are making
3 their decisions on the basis of sound economic
4 and engineering judgments. The safety record
5 of the nuclear power industry has been out-
6 standing. Duke Power Company is eminently
7 qualified to build the Oconee Plant. It has
8 participated in the successful operation of
9 the Parr Nuclear Plant in our State and has
10 built and operated conventional electric
11 generating plants for a number of years. Its
12 plants are among the most efficient in the
13 nation. I am confident that Duke Power's
14 application for a construction permit is
15 based upon sound design principles and that
16 every effort has been made to assure safe
17 operation. I am equally confident that the
18 review of the application by the Regulatory
19 Staff of the Atomic Energy Commission and by
20 the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards
21 has been thorough. It is my hope that the
22 Atomic Energy Commission will act promptly on
23 this application in view of the tremendous
24 benefit which will accrue to this section of
25 South Carolina through the resulting economic

1 growth. The availability of additional power
2 will attract new industries and the recreational
3 facilities which will result from this develop-
4 ment will bring enjoyment and pleasure to
5 thousands of people.

6 "One of the more tangible results will be
7 millions of dollars in Federal, State and local
8 taxes which will enable the respective governments
9 to provide the services expected and needed by
10 our people.

11 "It is therefore without hesitation that
12 I urge your favorable consideration of this
13 application."

14 That concludes the statement by Senator Thurmond.

15 The statement by Senator Hollings is as follows.

16 This statement is addressed to the Atomic Safety and
17 Licensing Board. The statement is:

18 "I am Ernest F. Hollings, U.S. Senator
19 for the State of South Carolina. I am making
20 this statement with a request that it be
21 incorporated into the record of the proceedings
22 of the public hearing in Walhalla, South Carolina
23 on August 29, 1967, on the matter of Duke Power
24 Company's application for authority to construct
25 its proposed Oconee Nuclear Station.

1 I am very much interested in this project
2 and what it foretells for the people of South
3 Carolina. It involves an investment of over
4 \$300 million. This will mean more jobs and
5 industry. It will also mean more tax revenues
6 to support the services that South Carolina
7 needs. It affords a tremendous opportunity for
8 the further development of the natural resources
9 of Piedmont, South Carolina and for recreation
10 and conservation programs.

11 The area that will be served by the Oconee
12 Station is already one of the fastest growing
13 areas in the Southeast. The power to be
14 generated by the Oconee Station is a necessity
15 if orderly growth and development is to continue.

16 Nuclear generation of electricity has
17 proven to be safe and efficient. It does not
18 pollute the air and is aesthetically unobtrusive.
19 It can also produce lower power costs.

20 The development of the nuclear industry
21 has occurred through a unique partnership
22 between the Atomic Energy Commission and private
23 industry. The safety record of this industry
24 has been exceptional, perhaps unequalled in the
25 development of any other industry. Every

1 application for authority to construct and
2 operate a nuclear facility is thoroughly
3 reviewed by the Regulatory Staff of the
4 Atomic Energy Commission and by the Advisory
5 Committee on Reactor Safeguards to insure
6 the health and safety of the public.

7 "I have no doubts about the safety of
8 the Oconee Nuclear Station or Duke Power
9 Company's ability to construct and operate
10 it. I would hope, therefore, that your
11 deliberations might be expedited so that
12 the benefits of this facility would be
13 available at the earliest possible date."

14 That concludes the statement by Senator Hollings.

15 In addition, it should be mentioned that there
16 was received this morning -- and it has not been made a
17 part of the published record -- it is so brief that while
18 any party is entitled to read this -- it has been transmitted
19 by William Jennings Bryan Dorn and it is a welcome to his
20 Congressional District. At 10:00 a.m. on August 29.

21 The gentleman standing. Are you Congressman Dorn?
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1 MR. LIGHTSEY: I would like to present on behalf
2 of the state, Congressman Dorn, Congressman from our
3 Third Congressional District in which this county is located.
4 He would like to make a statement at this time.

5 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: We welcome you to the proceeding
6 and invite you to make a statement in reference to this
7 proceeding.

8 MR. DORN: Thank you.

9 My main purpose here this morning, since I could
10 not send a statement prior to the meeting, would be to come
11 here and welcome you to our Congressional District.

12 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: We don't want to say we are not
13 glad to have the statements from Senator Thurmond and
14 Senator Hollings but we are delighted that you came here in
15 person with your statement.

16 MR. DORN: Thank you.

17 I do want to welcome you, Chairman Jensch and Dr.
18 Buck and Dr. Paxton, to South Carolina and particularly to
19 our Congressional District. It has been my honor to repre-
20 sent this district for 19 years.

21 I might say when the Joint Committee of the
22 Congress on Atomic Energy was first really in operation, it
23 was my privilege to be in Congress at that time and I know
24 of no agency of the Federal Government that is held in
25 higher esteem than the Atomic Energy Commission.

1 We appreciate what you gentlemen are doing for our
2 country and to develop our nuclear energy.

3 I might say that on behalf of the Joint Committee
4 of the House and Senate, we have here today the honorable
5 Gray Cosmos a long personal friend of mine who is an
6 observer here today and I want to pay tribute to this
7 Joint Committee.

8 They have gone all over this country and I think
9 they have done an excellent job in developing the defenses
10 of this nation and now they are equally as interested and
11 devoted and dedicated as you gentlemen are to the peaceful
12 use of the atom and so I do want to welcome you to this
13 district and say that the atomic energy plant, the Savannah
14 River Plant, last year was added to this Congressional
15 District.

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16 I believe the Oconee Station will complement
17 the other one using plutonium and up here uranium. There
18 is no doubt it is needed. I think I am in a position to
19 assure the gentlemen here that power will be needed in this
20 area. It is one of the fastest growing areas of the
21 nation and as a member of the Public Works Committee,
22 having supported Appalachia, and this being one of the
23 original counties in Appalachia, to me it would be rather
24 incredible to vote a billion dollars for the development of
25 Appalachia and not permit this great project, private

1 enterprise project, tax paying project, to proceed
2 promptly and I might say on the safety, our committee has
3 studied safety throughout this nation, air pollution, water
4 pollution and we feel that this great company here is seeking
5 to build these units and is responsible in this field and will,
6 although this particular committee is not as much interested
7 as some of the other agencies represented here, that this
8 company is responsible and by any criteria I think can
9 conform to the standards set by the Congress as far as
10 air pollution, water pollution and safety to protect the
11 people of this area and of this country and of this --
12 there have been many -- I want the Chairman and the
13 distinguished visitors here on the panel to realize that one
14 road block after another has been thrown in the pathway
15 of this great Keowee-Toxaway project. \$700 or \$800 million
16 project.

17 Now that it is on the way it seems there are
18 additional road blocks but I can't help but believe this
19 project will be permitted to proceed on schedule and
20 furnish the need in this area for electricity, abundant
21 power and recreation and I might say power at less cost.

22 The rates of this great company is less than they
23 were -- they are making available to the consumer less than
24 30 years ago. This of course is of interest to the
25 Congress with spiralling prices and deficits in the Congress

1 and expenditures for defense, the fact that this
2 project would pay enormous taxes to the local community,
3 state and the nation is of tremendous interest to the
4 people here.

5 Again I want to welcome you, Mr. Chairman, and
6 Dr. Buck and Dr. Paxton, and if I may, my statement is
7 a longer one than my two colleagues and I would like to
8 submit it for the record.

9 Thank you.

10 If there is anything we can do for you while
11 you are here don't hesitate to let us know.

12 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you, Congressman Dorn.

13 Your views will be forwarded to the Commission
14 who will be interested in your comments.

15 MR. LIGHTSEY: Mr. Chairman, Congressman Dorn has
16 asked me to request if he might that he might be excused.
17 He has a meeting he must attend in Greenville and I would
18 like to ask your permission he be allowed to leave.

19 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Congressman Dorn, feel free to
20 leave or come back again as soon as you can and give us
21 your statement at your convenience.

22 MR. DORN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

23 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: At this time, inquiry will be
24 made if there are persons present who seek to participate
25 in this proceeding by a limited participation by the

1 presentation of statements.

2 As indicated, three persons had requested and
3 an order had been entered permitting the participation by
4 gentlemen here in Walhalla.

5 Is Mr. Joe^lT. Rogers, the Mayor, here at this time?

6 A gentleman is standing. I take it he is Mayor
7 Rogers.

8 Will you come forward please to the microphone
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12 orl 1 MR. ROGERS: Mr. Chairman and gentlemen of the Board,
2 as Mayor of the Town of Walhalla we are delighted that this
3 hearing is being held in our city and it's my purpose to welcome
4 you here to our city.

5 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you. If I may interrupt
6 your statement to say that not only is the Commission, but
7 this Board is appreciative of the fine facilities you have
8 made available to the Commission and to us for this proceeding.
9 It's large, comfortable, air-conditioned, and we appreciate it.

10 MR. ROGERS: Thank you, sir. I might add that
11 Walhalla is a Scandinavian term meaning "garden of the gods."
12 It's not only the garden of the gods, but it's also the gateway
13 to the Blue Ridge and to the Great Smoky Mountains, and, too,
14 legend tells us that Walhalla is quite unique in many other
15 respects. We are the biggest little city in South Carolina.
16 We are just as big as New York, the only difference being
17 there is not as many people here.

18 (Laughter.)

19 MR. ROGERS: And, too, it's been said that we
20 can't make the sun shine, but we do make the moonshine.

21 (Laughter.)

22 MR. ROGERS: Indeed, we are happy not only to have
23 you, but all of our other visitors who are concerned with this
24 project, and certainly we of Walhalla are vitally concerned
25 in that Duke Power Company has been our friend, our neighbor,

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1 as well as our servant for many years, and by your kind con-
2 sideration of granting them this permit to conduct this project,
3 I am sure that they can better serve our city, our State, and
4 our Nation better in the future. Thank you.

5 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you, Mayor Rogers. Is
6 Mr. Snead Schumacher here?

7 A gentleman is standing. Will you come forward,
8 please, to the microphone?

9 MR. SCHUMACHER: Thank you, Mr. Chairman and members
10 of the Board. I, as the State Senator from Oconee County,
11 would also like to express my pleasure and welcome to have
12 you gentlemen here in our midst. We feel quite honored to have
13 you here and we hope you will certainly find our hospitality
14 unexcelled. Secondly, I would like to thank you for allowing
15 me this privilege of making a brief statement here at this
16 hearing, and I might say that I made this request on behalf
17 of the citizens of Oconee County as their elected representative
18 to the State Senate. We here are most anxiously awaiting the
19 completion of this project started by Duke Power Company.

20 As has been previously stated by Congressman Dorn,
21 Oconee County falls within the Appalachian region of South
22 Carolina, and the Duke Power Company Keowee-Toxaway project
23 and especially the Oconee Nuclear Station, I am convinced will
24 open many doors of opportunity for the people of this region,
25 not only during the phase of construction but thereafter in

1 the industrial expansion that will ensue, and I think this
2 has been borne out throughout the country in expansions of
3 this type.

4 The county share in the tax dollars that will be
5 channeled into our coffers through this development will help
6 us solve many of the local problems that we have here in
7 connection with education, housing, and medical facilities
8 for our aged and indigent, highway construction, recreational
9 facilities, and, above all, the job opportunities and the
10 ability to train the young people of our region to fill these
11 jobs.

12 Now, I have been conducted through the Parr Exper-
13 imental Station on several visits and have had the operation
14 explained to me. I by profession am a consulting engineer,
15 and even though I am not overly familiar with the nuclear terms
16 and phraseology and so forth, I do have some understanding. The
17 Duke Power officials have undertaken a great deal of time and
18 effort in explaining to the local officials and to interested
19 citizens in this area the safeguards that will be provided in
20 this Oconee Nuclear Station.

21 We here feel that under the supervision of the
22 Atomic Energy Commission and the capable operation of Duke
23 Power Company that this project is certainly safe and is of
24 paramount importance to our region. It's also our expressed
25 opinion that the intervention to licensing this project by

1 cities remote from this area is, in our opinion, an unrealistic
2 and selfish maneuver, sir.

3 By their standards, we feel we would just as justified
4 in opposing any type of industrial expansion in their vicinity
5 if we weren't allowed to share in the proceeds. I certainly
6 hope that the Commission in their judgment will disregard any
7 sectionalism opposition to this project. Certainly one of
8 this magnitude and one that means so much to this area and this
9 region and the citizens here.

10 So, on behalf of the citizens of Oconee County and as
11 their elected representative to the State Senate, we request
12 the Atomic Energy Commission to license this Oconee Nuclear
13 Station as soon as possible in order that there will be no
14 delay in the construction of this project. I certainly thank
15 you for granting me this privilege and for the courtesy of
16 allowing me to present it this morning. Thank you, sir.

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1 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you, Senator Schumacher.
2 Is Mr. Reece Hubbard, Supervisor of Oconee County,
3 here?

4 A gentleman has arisen. Will you come forward
5 to the microphone, please?

6 MR. HUBBARD: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. We very
7 humbly and submissively appreciate this opportunity to
8 get to say a few words on behalf of Oconee County.

9 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Before you proceed, perhaps I
10 should have expressed our thanks to you for this Oconee
11 County Court House rather than to Mayor Rogers, but in any
12 event we express our appreciation.

13 MR. HUBBARD: We are thankful we work together.
14 We are real proud of this and are real proud that you
15 people have come to be with us.

16 On behalf of the people of Oconee County we
17 feel personally, not prejudiced or selfish, we feel we
18 have the best people that you can find anywhere.

19 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: You understand we are not
20 disputing that.

21 (Laughter.)

22 MR. HUBBARD: Thank you, sir.

23 As we would like to express our gratitude as a
24 public servant -- you know, some of us people, whenever
25 we attempt to be a public servant we get, with all due

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1 respect to everyone, we do have certain names that we
2 are called. Sometimes we don't know whether to answer
3 them by that name or not, but what I am trying to say is
4 this: a public servant usually, especially in the
5 supervisor's office, he gets to be where you explain it
6 as football. He gets to be pushed around a little bit.
7 But we expect it and love our work. We love you people
8 to be here. We do wish to say at this time for the
9 people of Oconee County that we are anxious for this
10 development to come through and to be fulfilled, and we
11 think we can visualize the greatness of this project.

12 We feel that the time will be permitted and time
13 will actually show us just what advantages we will have
14 that we can't observe at this point, but we are looking
15 forward to this time whenever we can be able to receive
16 and enjoy the wonderful opportunities that this will bring
17 forth and we feel our people from my county are behind
18 this 100 percent.

19 I wish to thank you for this opportunity, and
20 if there is anything else that we might do in this we would
21 very much appreciate being called on. Thank you very much.

22 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you, Mr. Hubbard.

23 Is there any other person present here who seeks
24 to participate by limited participation by making a
25 statement in this proceeding?

1 The Board hears no such --

2 MR. LIGHTSEY: Mr. Chairman. If I might, we
3 have several State agencies represented today, and rather
4 than present them for testimony it is our wish that they
5 present their testimony or their feelings in the form of
6 statements for the record, unsworn statements, and therefore
7 if there are no other members present I would like to
8 proceed to present them to the Board.

9 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Mr. Lightsey, will you proceed
10 to call each one of them and we will be glad to have
11 their statements for the record.

12 MR. LIGHTSEY: I would first like to present
13 to the Board the Honorable Earl E. Morris, Jr., Senator
14 from Pickens County, District No. 2, who has a statement
15 to present to the Board.

16 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Senator Morris, will you come
17 forward, please?

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1 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: We are now receiving copies of
2 the statement I understand Senator Morris will present.

3 Will you proceed?

4 Mr. Morris. Mr. Chairman and Dr. Paxton and
5 Dr. Buck, we also welcome you to this area of the State.

6 My name is Earl Morris, Jr., Senator from Pickens
7 County, Senatorial District No. 2 of our state.

8 We share in the expenditure and development of the
9 Keowee-Toxaway project in view of the fact that the
10 rivers dividing the two counties are the basis for the
11 lakes.

12 While the Oconee Nuclear Station is located in
13 Oconee County, the hydro stations are located in Pickens
14 County. We hope the next nuclear station, or else.

15 (Laughter.)

16 In the beginning I do want to add my own public
17 support and endorsement of this project to the many and
18 almost unanimous expressions of those concerned.

19 I make these statements on behalf of the
20 citizens and officials of Pickens County in support of the
21 wishes and expressed desires of the good citizens of Oconee
22 County and their public officials whom you have heard here
23 today.

24 Citizens of our county, this entire area in both
25 states and the State of South Carolina are all convinced as

1 to the need to issue the construction permit for the Oconee
2 Nuclear Station at the earliest possible time.

3 Duke Power Company has complied with all of the
4 requirements of the Federal Power Commission and has
5 satisfied requirements of other agencies of the Federal
6 Government including the Department of Interior.

7 Approval of the project has been granted by all
8 concerned in the Federal and state and local governments.
9 This includes United States Army Corps of Engineers.

10 Approval of this project has been delayed for a
11 seemingly interminable time by a few obstructionists.

12 The mood of the citizens of both Oconee and
13 Pickens Counties and even of South Carolina is becoming
14 intolerant of dilatory objections and impediments to the
15 proper and timely prosecution of work on this huge project.

16 I would call attention of this Board to the fact
17 that by the time Duke Power Company's application had
18 reached the Federal Power Commission, this project had been
19 endorsed by the General Assembly of the State of South
20 Carolina, the legislative delegations of both Oconee and
21 Pickens Counties, by the various municipal associations in
22 the two counties, by the Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative,
23 Inc., which serves the counties, by the Planning and
24 Development Commissions of both counties and by many other
25 individual groups and agencies.

1 I think it is a matter of interest that in South
2 Carolina there is no known public nor private opposition
3 to the orderly prosecution of the Keowee-Toxaway project.

4 I would like to specifically point out that the
5 Pickens County Planning and Development Commission under-
6 took a thorough and comprehensive study of this project
7 before officially endorsing it.

8 In its research the Commission referred to the
9 great volume of work accomplished by the United States
10 Study Commission for the southeast river basins including
11 its Organization and Methodology for River Basin Planning.
12 It also read the various philosophies of river basin
13 planning as developed by the Congress of the United States,
14 the Corps of Engineers, the Department of Interior and by
15 such private agencies as Resources for the Future, Inc.
16 Particular reference was made to publications by John T.
17 Krutilla and Otto Ekstein in their economic studies and
18 more specifically their publication, Multiple Purpose River
19 Development. After a dispassionate consideration of the
20 alternatives for development, the Commission's conclusion
21 was that the Keowee-Toxaway project should be built by
22 Duke Power Company in conformance with the various require-
23 ments of the responsible departments of Federal, state, and
24 local governments.

25 Duke Power Company has indicated its intention

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1 to honor its original commitment of expenditures and
2 investments by already announcing plans for an expenditure
3 of over \$500 million. We are anxious for these tax-paying
4 facilities to be completed at the earliest possible time
5 because of potential revenues to come to these two counties.
6 These revenues are necessary to finance the additional
7 services that are and will be demanded and are being
8 provided now for the project; to wit, roads, hospitals,
9 schools, health facilities, police protection and others.
10 Delay in approval of the project only places an unnecessary
11 demand on our local taxpayers.

12 Gentlemen, I sincerely hope that this conference
13 and the hearing to follow will be the final hurdle that must
14 be met. That you of the United States Atomic Energy
15 Commission Board will approve the project, do all in your
16 power to eliminate any further delay in the completion of
17 this project for Pickens and Oconee Counties in northwestern
18 South Carolina. I commend this project to you as a safe,
19 sound, economically feasible, and worthwhile venture both
20 from the point of view of good economics as well as the best
21 use of our natural resources.

#15 Thank you very much, gentlemen.
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1 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you, Senator Morris.

2 Mr. Lightsey, did you have an additional participant?

3 MR. LIGHTSEY: Yes. I would like next to present
4 Mr. William T. Lenton, Director of the Division of South
5 Carolina Engineering of the State Board of Health and also
6 Director of the Pollution Control Authority. He has been
7 with the State Board of Health Pollution and Control for
8 twenty-five to thirty years and will present a letter from
9 Dr. E. Kenneth Aycock, State Health Officer and Chairman
10 of the South Carolina Pollution Control Authority.

11 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Very well. Would you come
12 forward, please, Mr. Lenton.

13 MR. LIGHTSEY: I have copies of this letter.

14 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: We appreciate being able to
15 follow the statement by reading the presentation. Would
16 you proceed?

XXX 17 MR. LENTON: Mr. Chairman, I am presenting this
18 in the name of Dr. E. Kenneth Aycock, State Health Officer
19 and Chairman of the Pollution Control Authority, and I
20 would like first to express his regrets at his inability
21 to be here.

22 I would like also to add my welcome to those
23 that have been advanced to you gentlemen and to say that
24 South Carolina is extremely pleased and honored to have
25 you here.

1 I am reading this as it is written and ask that
2 it be so recorded.

3 "Mr. Chairman, my name is E. Kenneth
4 Aycock, M.D., State Health Officer and Chair-
5 man of the South Carolina Pollution Control
6 Authority. In these capacities, I represent
7 the only legally constituted agencies whose
8 official concerns are for the health of the
9 people of South Carolina and the protection
10 of the environment from waste products
11 discharged into it.

12 "The purpose of this statement is to
13 acquaint the Atomic Energy Commission and
14 this Board with the knowledge that our
15 agencies support the application by Duke
16 Power Company for licenses to build and
17 operate the nuclear power generating
18 facility known as the Oconee Nuclear Station,
19 Units 1, 2 and 3, in Oconee County, South
20 Carolina.

21 "We have had many occasions in the
22 past to become acquainted with Duke Power
23 Company in matters pertaining to fossile-
24 fueled generating plants and have found
25 them to be competent and quite cooperative.

1 "Our staff has had the privilege of
2 associating indirectly with this company in
3 its position as a member of the Carolinas-
4 Virginia Nuclear Power Associates, which
5 has operated the experimental nuclear power
6 plant at Parr, South Carolina for several
7 years.

8 "During the several years surrounding
9 the construction and operation of the Parr
10 Reactor, our staff conducted, and is
11 conducting, environmental surveys to insure
12 the health and safety of our citizens. Very
13 close cooperation between our staff and the
14 CVNPA staff has always existed, including
15 technical assistance when monitoring equip-
16 ment became inoperative, the sharing of
17 samples and information and many other
18 evidences of mutual help. This same spirit
19 of cooperation on the part of Duke Power
20 Company has already been demonstrated in
21 this endeavor. Assistance has been pledged
22 in the matter of locating sampling sites
23 during the pre-operational and post-operational
24 phases for surveillance purposes. All infor-
25 mation sought by us has received prompt

1 attention. In short, Duke Power Company has
2 displayed complete willingness to assist our
3 agencies in the discharge of their responsibilities.

4 "The Safety Analysis Report and Amendments
5 have been analyzed by our staff, as have the
6 comments made by the National Center for
7 Radiological Health of the U.S. Public Health
8 Service. As a result of these analyses, we
9 see no reason why the operation of the Duke
10 Power Company's Oconee Nuclear Station in the
11 manner specified should contravene any of our
12 requirements.

13 "Personally, and in our official capacity,
14 it gives us considerable pleasure to say again
15 that we endorse the application for the license
16 being sought by the Duke Power Company."

17 Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

18 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you, sir.

19 Mr. Lightsey, do you have an additional participant?

20 MR. MORRIS: I am not the lawyer, but Mr. Lightsey
21 had an emergency phone call from his office and asked to be
22 excused momentarily and requested me to present the next
23 witness.

24 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Would you do so, please?

25 MR. MORRIS: Yes, sir. Representing the South

1 Carolina Public Service Commission which is a regulatory
2 agency for utilities in South Carolina is Mr. L. Rogers
3 Miller, who is Director of the Electrical Utilities
4 Division. He has a statement from the Chairman of the
5 Commission, the Honorable Clyde F. Boland, and also a
6 statement from a member of the Commission, the Honorable
7 A. D. Amick, who is a member of the NARUC Committee on
8 Nuclear Energy in the Electrical Industry.

9 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Mr. Miller, would you come
10 forward, please?

11 XXXX MR. MILLER: Mr. Chairman, both of these
12 communications are addressed to you.

13 "Dear Chairman Jensch: The South Carolina
14 Public Service Commission has regulatory
15 authority over the privately-owned electric
16 utilities operating in this State and in the
17 exercise of this authority is familiar with
18 the operations of Duke Power Company.

19 "The growth of the electric industry in
20 the Southeast, and particularly in South
21 Carolina, requires additional generating
22 capacity in the immediate future, and Duke
23 Power Company and the other utilities under
24 jurisdiction of this Commission are continually
25 planning and building new generation to take

1 care of the increased requirements in this area.

2 "This Commission's knowledge of the manage-
3 ment and operations of Duke Power Company indicates
4 that the company is financially qualified to
5 construct, own and operate the nuclear facilities
6 proposed in AEC Dockets No. 50,269, No. 50,270
7 and No. 50,287.

8 "Our studies indicate that the proposed
9 nuclear plant will result in the most economical
10 addition to the power supply of this area.

11 "Sincerely yours, Clyde F. Boland, Chairman."

12 Second letter:

13 "I am a member of the National Association
14 of Railroad and Utilities Commissioners'
15 'Committee on Nuclear Energy in the Electric
16 Industry" and feel that the art of using the
17 heat of a nuclear reaction in the generation
18 of electric power is so well advanced that,
19 with the safeguards required by the Atomic
20 Energy Commission, a nuclear-fueled electric
21 generating station is no more hazardous than
22 a fossil-fueled plant and that when the overall
23 cost of nuclear-fueled electric energy is less
24 than the cost of conventional-fueled electric
25 energy, then the nuclear-fueled plant should be

1 constructed.

2 "As a member of the South Carolina Public
3 Service Commission, I know that the growth of
4 the electric industry in the Southeast, and
5 particularly in South Carolina, requires
6 additional generating capacity in the
7 immediate future, and Duke Power Company
8 and the other utilities under jurisdiction
9 of this Commission are continually planning
10 and building new generation to take care of
11 the increased requirements in this area.

12 "From the information presently available
13 it is apparent that the proposed nuclear-
14 fueled generation to be provided by Duke
15 Power Company under Docket No. 50,269,
16 No. 50,270 and No. 50,278 will provide the
17 most economical additional electric power
18 and energy to this area.

19 "Very truly yours, A. D. Anick, Member,
20 NARUC Committee on Nuclear Energy in the
21 Electric Industry."

22 Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

23 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you, Mr. Miller.

24 Mr. Lightsey, do you have an additional participant?

25 MR. LIGHTSEY: Yes, sir. Mr. Chairman, at this

1 time I would like to present Mr. Robert Blair, from
2 the South Carolina Development Board, who is the consultant
3 for that Board on atomic energy.

4 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Mr. Blair, will you come
5 forward, please?

6 MR. BLAIR: Chairman Jensch, Dr. Paxton and
7 Dr. Buck: I am pleased to have this opportunity to present
8 a statement at this important hearing. My name is Robert C.
9 Blair. I am a registered professional engineer and was
10 associated with the United States Atomic Energy Commission's
11 Savannah River Project near Aiken, South Carolina, since
12 its inception in 1950, and as the Manager of Operations for
13 ten years prior to retirement in December 1965.

14 Administration of major contracts for research,
15 development and conceptual design of nuclear power reactors
16 was a significant responsibility of my office requiring
17 current knowledge of similar programs conducted elsewhere
18 by government and private industry.

19 It has been gratifying to observe the growing
20 acceptance of this new form of power generation and
21 particularly pleasing to recognize the progressive attitude
22 of the Duke Power Company and other Southern utilities in
23 taking a leading role in building these advanced plants on
24 their systems.

25 Since retirement I have served as a consultant

1 in Atomic Energy matters to the Development Research
2 Center of the South Carolina State Development Board.
3 In this capacity I have had access to the voluminous
4 and comprehensive reports prepared by the Duke Power
5 Company to satisfy the requirements of the Atomic Energy
6 Commission and prerequisite to its issuance of a construc-
7 tion permit for the three nuclear stations proposed in
8 Oconee County.

9 I find impressive the expertise employed in
10 the studies and reports and the extent to which recognized
11 authorities have been consulted to confirm the validity
12 of the design and operating features of the plants and
13 their resultant compatibility with accepted environmental
14 standards for the protection of the health and safety of
15 the public.

16 The plants will favorably stimulate the economy
17 of the area in which they are located, and I believe
18 that great benefits of state-wide importance will also
19 accrue from industries which might be expected to locate
20 in the state to provide plant services and to utilize
21 by-products.

22 Spent fuel reprocessors, fabricators of fuel
23 elements, and the producers of radioisotopic devices and
24 related industries should find a climate favorable to
25 their operations and a growing market throughout the

1 Southeast for their products and services.

2 The Duke Power Company is to be congratulated
3 for undertaking the Keowee-Toxaway Project and merits
4 full support for its inclusion of nuclear electric
5 generating stations in the initial plan.

6 I am pleased to have the opportunity to
7 endorse this advanced and very worthy nuclear project.

8 Thank you.

9 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you, Mr. Blair.

10 Mr. Lightsey, do you have a further participant?

11 MR. LIGHTSEY: Mr. Chairman, I do have one.

12 I would like to state for the record, though, before I
13 present him, that Mr. Blair, whom you have just heard, has
14 considerable background and experience in the field of
15 nuclear energy from 1950 through 1965. He was associated
16 with the Atomic Energy Commission and from 1955 through
17 1965 was manager of operations of the Savannah River Plant
18 in South Carolina.

19 Mr. Chairman, at this time I would like to present
20 Dr. Henry C. Schultze, Director of the Development Board's
21 Research Center in South Carolina Development Board. This
22 is the agency in South Carolina that is responsible for
23 promoting long range development and is responsible for
24 promoting the growth of private atomic energy facilities in
25 South Carolina.

1 Dr. Schultze has been with the Development
2 Board for two and a half years and was with the Union
3 Carbide Corporation for twenty-four years in research
4 and development prior to that time.

5 Dr. Schultze I think will also present a state-
6 ment on behalf of the Governor of South Carolina who was
7 unable to be present today because of previous commitments.
8 But, Mr. Chairman, I would like to mention for the record
9 that according to my file the statement of the Governor
10 was filed with the Atomic Energy Commission on August 10,
11 1967, and should appear in the docket.

12 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Very well. Dr. Schultze,
13 will you come forward, please?

14 DR. SCHULTZE: Mr. Jensch, Dr. Paxton, Dr. Buck:
15 I am Henry C. Schultze, Director of the South Carolina State
16 Development Board's Research Center. The work programs of
17 our Center are concerned with long-range planning to
18 facilitate the optimum economic development of our State;
19 with the marshalling of diverse research resources within
20 the State for our economic advancement; and with the
21 administration of Federal-aid programs of economic
22 importance to South Carolina.

23 Governor McNair has delegated administrative
24 and technical responsibilities for the promotion of
25 private atomic energy industry within South Carolina to

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1 the State Development Board and its Research Center. It
2 is a pleasure accordingly for Mr. Robert C. Blair and I
3 to have the opportunity for representing both Governor
4 McNair and the State Development Board at this important
5 public hearing. Each of us is very personally and
6 technically interested in the Keowee-Toxaway Project.
7 We have followed all aspects of this project closely. We
8 are grateful to personnel of Duke Power Company for the
9 excellent working r pport we are enjoying with them and
10 for the diligence and thoroughness with which they have
11 kept us informed on technical matters of mutual
12 importance to themselves, to South Carolina, and to our
13 people.

14 I will now proceed to read the statement by
15 Governor McNair which was given to me earlier and which
16 was submitted by him on August 10, and entered into your
17 records on August 16, 1957.

18 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Will you proceed, please?

19 DR. SCHULTZE: The letter is as follows:

20 "Dear Mr. Jensch: South Carolina is
21 vitally interested in the development of the
22 private atomic energy industry. Our people
23 have quietly acclimated themselves to atomic
24 energy interests and operations since 1950
25 when the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission

1 announced and began construction of its Savannah
2 River Plant. The later installation of facilities
3 at Charleston for servicing nuclear-powered naval
4 vessels, and the operation of the prototype 17
5 megawatt nuclear-electric generating station at
6 Parr by the CARVA group of utilities have each
7 received our strong support.

8 "In May of this year our Legislature
9 enacted South Carolina's new Atomic Energy and
10 Radiation Control Act to indicate that our
11 State desires to provide the means for dis-
12 charging its proper functions for promoting
13 the optimum growth of private atomic energy
14 facilities consonant with the full considera-
15 tion of the health and safety requirements of
16 our people.

17 "Thus we are pleased, but not surprised,
18 with the surge of announcements during 1966
19 and 1967 from private utilities to build major
20 nuclear-electric generating stations at two
21 locations in South Carolina and at five
22 additional locations in Virginia, Alabama,
23 Georgia and Florida. This spectacular growth
24 of new generating stations in the Southeast
25 is based on sound economics, and it is

1 indicative of the significant changes taking place
2 in our region wherein the utility companies are
3 preparing themselves for meeting the anticipated
4 greater energy demands of our people over the
5 next several decades.

6 "On behalf of all South Carolinians, I
7 warmly endorse the foresight shown by Duke Power
8 Company and by Carolina Power and Light Company
9 to place their initial nuclear power stations
10 within our borders. We find from our careful
11 analyses of each of the programs of work to be
12 undertaken by these two firms that all possible
13 diligence has been exercised to protect the
14 safety of the public and that there is nothing
15 to be questioned on our part as to the suitability
16 of the nuclear electric generating structures for
17 their prospective uses.

18 "The installation of these nuclear power
19 stations in our midst, together with South
20 Carolina's existing resources in atomic energy
21 opens a full spectrum of new opportunities that
22 are essential to our future economic growth.

23 "Our State can gain additional sophisticated
24 facilities based on the full nuclear fuel cycle
25 wherein the manufacture of power reactor components

1 will be coordinated closely with the fabrication
2 of nuclear fuel elements and with the chemical
3 regeneration of spent nuclear reactor charges.
4 These with other supporting science-based
5 industries and also research and development
6 laboratories will offer richly rewarding
7 careers to our young people and to those from
8 other States in diverse applied science and
9 engineering fields. South Carolinians must
10 and will rise to accept these future challenging
11 responsibilities.

12 "In recognizing the importance of the
13 of the nuclear-electric generating stations
14 to our economy, we are particularly impressed
15 with the additional tangible benefits which
16 will accrue to South Carolina from the large
17 investment by Duke Power Company in its
18 Keowee-Toxaway project. Enhanced recreational
19 resources will be provided for our people in
20 Oconee and Pickens Counties. Improved water
21 supplies can be made available to our cities
22 and towns adjacent to the lakes impounded by
23 the project. Expanded opportunities for
24 proficient management of wildlife resources
25 are evident, and new areas of unparalleled

1 beauty will be opened for our people to enjoy.

2 "Personnel of Duke Power Company and of
3 the contracting firms participating in the
4 construction of the Keowee-Toxaway project are
5 assured of our full support and services whenever
6 these may be necessary. South Carolinians are
7 indeed proud and appreciative of their efforts."

8 I now continue briefly with my statement. It is
9 somewhat superfluous for me to enlarge on the fine summaries
10 by Governor McNair and by Mr. Blair which adequately express
11 our complete satisfaction with the safety, technical, and
12 economic aspects of the plans of Duke Power Company for
13 its Oconee Nuclear Station. It is more appropriate, I feel,
14 to emphasize again the impact of the Duke project on the
15 future economy of this section of our State.

16 Borrowing from Governor McNair's statement,
17 "...opens a full spectrum of new opportunities that are
18 essential to our future economic growth...", it is very
19 practical to foresee that this fine investment by Duke
20 Power Company materially strengthens South Carolina's
21 resources in atomic energy and enhances our opportunities
22 for gaining sophisticated science-based industries together
23 with research facilities that will add markedly to this
24 region's optimum economic development and to that of
25 South Carolina.

1 I have been personally cognizant of the large
2 strides made during the past twenty years by both Oconee
3 and Pickens Counties in terms of gaining more diversified,
4 remunerative, and individually rewarding environments.
5 Now among all South Carolina counties, these two counties,
6 by reason of the Keowee-Toxaway Project, stand on the
7 threshold of an unparalleled opportunity for accelerating
8 their economic development and for providing further the
9 environments to hold more of their young people at home
10 and to secure others with sophisticated technical skills
11 so urgently needed in South Carolina's economy. This is
12 one essential, practical, long-range reward from the
13 Keowee-Toxaway Project which will warrant our continued
14 close cooperation at the State and local levels with
15 Duke Power Company. We know of their keen interest in
16 these objectives, and we assure them also of our full
17 support.

18 Thank you.

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1 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you, Mr. Schultze. Does
2 that conclude your presentation, Mr. Lightsey?

3 MR. LICHTSEY: Mr. Chairman, that concludes the
4 presentation on behalf of the State. I do have, I think I
5 have handed up extra copies of all statements except those
6 of Congressman Dorn to the Board, and I have three copies
7 which he has asked I hand up to the Board.

8 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: We will receive them. Will you
9 bring them up, please?

10 MR. LIGHTSEY: Might I make one other request?
11 Several of these State agency officials have requested if
12 possible that they might be excused because of the press
13 of their official duties.

14 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Any objection? I hear no
15 objection. Permission granted.

16 Is there any other person present here who seeks to
17 participate in this proceeding by way of a limited participation?

18 MR. ENGELHARDT: Mr. Chairman?

19 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Staff Counsel?

20 MR. ENGELHARDT: I am not aware whether the Board
21 has available to it a communication from an individual who
22 identifies himself as the president of the North Carolina
23 Municipally Owned Electric Systems Association. This is a
24 letter dated August 22, 1967, addressed to the Chairman of
25 the United States Atomic Energy Commission, and the first line

or2 1 of his letter states: "I respectfully request that this letter
2 be received, read, and made a part of the record in the hearings
3 in subject documents."

4 And identifies the dockets for this application,
5 Dockets 50, 26, 270, and 287.

6 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Do you present that request,
7 the, for consideration?

8 MR. ENGELHARDT: I merely identify this letter as
9 having been received by the Commission, and I will call it to
10 the Chairman's attention for appropriate disposition.

11 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Very well. A copy of the letter
12 addressed to the Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission
13 was furnished to members of the Board. Do the other parties
14 have copies? Does the applicant have a copy?

15 MR. GRIGG: No.

16 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: I have a copy. You may look at
17 this copy I have.

18 MR. ENGELHARDT: I have some extra copies here.

19 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Please furnish a copy to the
20 applicant. Do the intervenors have a copy?

21 MR. HARRIS: Yes.

22 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Before we proceed to inquire if
23 there is any objection to the request of the letter, it's
24 somewhat irregular practice at a hearing of this kind, and
25 at the outset, to request staff counsel to make an outline of

r3 1 this project, some of the problems that he envisions were
2 present and the evidence he intends to adduce. Does staff
3 counsel desire to make such a statement at this time?

4 MR. ENGELHARDT: The staff is prepared to make
5 its opening statement if the Board would like to have that
6 statement now. This would be my statement and the statement
7 of Mr. Grimes, who is a member of the technical staff.

8 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: If it's an opening statement,
9 perhaps we had better defer for a moment until we have a
10 further request. Is there any other person present here
11 who seeks to make a statement and thereby participate in a
12 limited way in this proceeding?

13 The Board hears no such request. Have applicant's
14 counsel had an opportunity to review this letter to which
15 staff counsel referred?

16 MR. GRIGG: We have no objection to this being read
17 and/or introduced into the record.

18 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Any objection by intervenors?

19 MR. REEDER: We have not seen it, but we have no
20 objection.

21 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Staff counsel now hands a copy
22 to you. Does staff have any objection to integrating the
23 letter as if read?

24 MR. ENGELHARDT: Staff has no objection to integrating
25 it as if read.

4 1 VOICE : We have no objection to the
2 reception of this letter.

3 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: This letter would not constitute
4 evidence, but will be integrated in view of the lack of objection
5 into the transcript as if read. I believe now we have concluded
6 all the preliminary matters, and may proceed to an inquiry of
7 whether the parties desire to make any opening statements. We
8 have continued this session of this proceeding this morning
9 somewhat longer than usual in view of the presentation of
10 statements by limited participants, but we thought perhaps we
11 could receive the opening statement if any and then adjourn or
12 recess for lunch and begin after lunch with the consideration
13 of other matters, or the reception of evidence.

14 Does the applicant desire to make an opening statement
15 of the position it will assert in this proceeding and the
16 evidence it intends to adduce?

17 MR. GRIGG: Yes, Mr. Chairman.

18 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Will you proceed, please?

19 MR. GRIGG: Mr. Chairman and members of the Board:
20 it's our purpose today and in the course of this hearing to
21 attempt to inform the public of the nature of the Oconee
22 Station, its design, and of the care that has gone into insuring
23 its complete safety. The issue is whether Duke Power Company
24 is technically and financially qualified to design and construct
25 the Oconee Station.

1 Whether the issuance of a construction permit will
2 be inimical to the common defense and security of the Nation,
3 and whether the plant can be constructed and operated without
4 undue risk to the health and safety of the public. The applic-
5 ant accepts the burden of proof in these issues, and we will
6 attempt in the course of this hearing to restrict that burden
7 to evidence which can be understood by everyone here. The
8 regulatory process through which an applicant for a construction
9 permit must go is stringent and thorough. The application for
10 authority to construct the Oconee Station is a voluminous
11 document.

12 It consists of three volumes of over 1,000 pages
13 of detailed technical design data. It's the product of many
14 years of study, research, and operating experience, and count-
15 less thousands of man-hours of work. Its orientation, indeed,
16 its raison d'etre, is the assurance that the Oconee Station
17 can and will built and operated without undue risk to the
18 health and safety of the public.

19 During the nine months that have intervened since
20 it was filed, the application, the applicant, and his principal
21 supplier, the Babcock and Wilcox Company, have been under close
22 scrutiny which the staff of the Atomic Energy Commission's
23 Division of Reactor Licensing, the expert consultants retained
24 by the staff and by other agencies of Government have conducted.
25 Inquiry of the staff and his consultants has been narrow. It

1 has not, as Chairman Jensch pointed out this morning, dealt,
2 for example, with such matters as conservation, aesthetics,
3 and thermal effects. These are matters reserved to other
4 agencies and which have been or will be thoroughly reviewed
5 by those agencies.

6 The staff's inquiry has gone almost exclusively to
7 questions of health and safety, but within this relatively
8 narrow range the inquiry has been extremely deep. Represent-
9 atives of the applicant and his suppliers have met with the
10 staff on numerous occasions to discuss and to evaluate the
11 Oconee plant from a safety standpoint. We have answered many
12 searching questions concerning plant design, and we have fur-
13 nished in minute detail the technical data which we and the
14 staff have felt was necessary for a full and comprehensive
15 safety analysis.

16 The application, as the Chairman also indicated,
17 has also been reviewed by the Advisory Committee on Reactor
18 Safeguards. This Committee consists of 15 nuclear scientists
19 and engineers who were drawn independently from the academic
20 and industrial communities and who represent all of the
21 disciplines necessary for a full evaluation of reactor safety.

22 Representatives of the applicant and their suppliers
23 and consultants have met with the Advisory Committee on
24 Reactor Safeguards on two occasions and the sub-committee on
25 three occasions to review plant design and answer questions

-7 1 concerning safety. The ACRS review is extremely thorough.
2 It has been compared by one authority to the examination for
3 the Ph. D. degree. Yet, if it please the Board, after all
4 of this, the regulatory process has scarcely begun. We are
5 asking here only for a permit to construct the plant. If it
6 is granted, the Atomic Energy Commission, through its Division
7 of Compliance, will scrutinize construction to insure compliance
8 with the permit and with applicable regulations. Then, after
9 construction has been completed, assuming a construction permit
10 is granted, many months from now there will be proceedings
11 for an operating license.

12 At that time the Commission will have a full opportu-
13 nity to evaluate the completed design and to determine whether
14 Duke Power Company is financially and technically qualified to
15 operate the plant. If an operating license is granted, the
16 Division of Compliance will continually be with us to insure
17 safe operation throughout its life. But, as rigorous as the
18 regulatory process must necessarily be in the public interest,
19 we nevertheless realize, and we want to emphasize, that the
20 ultimate responsibility for the safe construction and operation
21 of the Oconee Station rests, not with the Atomic Energy
22 Commission, not with the staff, but with Duke Power Company.
23 the applicant.

24 We had been arduously preparing for that responsibility
25 for some 14 years now, and we believe we will be able to establish

r8 1 in the course of this hearing that we are now ready to assume it.

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1 Now briefly I would like to summarize what evidence
2 we expect to present in addition to the application and its
3 supporting documents.

4 Our first witness will be Mr. Willian S. Lee,
5 Vice President, Engineering of the company, who will
6 describe the reactors and the site. He will emphasize the
7 measures which have been taken in the design of the plant
8 and which will be taken in its construction and operation to
9 insure the public health and safety.

10 Our second witness will be Mr. Edward C. Fiss,
11 Nuclear Engineer of Duke Power Company, who will describe
12 Duke Power's experience in the design, construction and
13 operation of the Parr Nuclear Plant at Parr, South
14 Carolina and how this experience will be of benefit to us
15 in the construction of the Oconee Station.

16 Our third witness will be Mr. R. E. Frazer,
17 Assistant Treasurer of Duke Power Company whose testimony
18 will relate to our financial qualifications to construct
19 the plant.

20 Our next witness will be a panel of eight experts
21 who will collectively sponsor a document which we call
22 a partial summary of application.

23 These witnesses will be Mr. W. S. Lee, Mr. L.
24 S. Dale, Mr. C. J. Willey, Mr. W. H. Owen, all of Duke Power
25 Company. Mr. D. W. Montgomery, Mr. J. H. MacMillian,

1 Mr. R. E. Washer, all of the Babcock and Wilcox Company.
2 Mr. J. J. Tassick of the Bechtel Corporation.

3 We will also have sworn a group of 19 experts
4 whom we call back-up witnesses who will be available for
5 questions by the Board, staff, intervenors or by reference
6 from the panel. These experts will not sponsor any direct
7 evidence other than their own professional qualifications.

8 Briefly as to the manner of presenting evidence.

9 If the Board please, Mr. Lee's testimony, Mr.
10 Fiss' testimony and Mr. Frazer's testimony will be read
11 aloud at the hearing. Printed copies of all of our evidence,
12 all of our testimony is available at the rear of the room.
13 We feel that it would be advisable however to have these
14 th e witnesses present their testimony orally because
15 there are perhaps some present who have not had an opportunity
16 to read their written testimony and it might be helpful to
17 them if it is presented orally.

18 We will not ask that the partial summary of
19 application be presented orally but at the appropriate point
20 in the proceedings we will ask it be incorporated into the
21 record as if read.

22 Mr. Chairman, this concludes my opening remarks.

23 At this time, if it please the Board, I would like
24 to defer to Mr. B. B. Parker, who is Executive Vice President
25 of Duke Power Company for an unsworn statement.

1 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Before proceeding in reference
2 to Mr. Parker, does staff counsel desire to make his
3 opening statement at this time?

4 MR. ENGELHARDT: I think it might be appropriate
5 for the applicant's opening statements, including Mr.
6 Parker's statements, to be completed and then we will
7 follow with our statements.

8 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Mr. Parker, will you come forward,
9 please?

10 Perhaps it would be more convenient to you to speak
11 from the rostrum. If you care to take the witness chair,
12 adjust to your own convenience.

13 MR. PARKER: I can do either.

14 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: I am sure all can hear you
15 where you are now located. Proceed, please.

16 XXXX MR. PARKER: Mr. Chairman and members of the
17 Board:

18 I am B. B. Parker, Executive Vice President of
19 Duke Power Company, the Applicant in this proceeding. I
20 wish to make a brief statement concerning our company, with
21 particular reference to the Oconee Nuclear Station -- why
22 the decision was made to build it, how we plan to finance it,
23 and the role it will have in our future growth and development.

24 Duke Power Company is an electric utility serving
25 over 350,000 retail and wholesale customers. Its service

1 area comprises about 20,000 square miles in the central portion
2 of North Carolina and the western portion of South Carolina.
3 This area has a population of approximately 3,000,000.

4 Duke owns and operates nine coal fired steam electric
5 generating plants with a net capability of 4,041,010 KW
6 and 30 hydroelectric plants with a net peak capability of
7 883,590 KW. Industrial expansion and population growth in
8 our service area has been well above the national average,
9 and the demand on our system has increased commensurately.
10 Our annual rate of system growth has been over 8 percent
11 for the past several years. We expect this rate to continue
12 at least over the next five years. Our peak load in 1966
13 was 4345 mw. We estimate that in 1972 it will be about
14 6,920 mw. This means that we will have to be prepared to
15 meet a peak demand in 1972 that is approximately 59 percent
16 higher than that experienced in 1966.

17 In order to be able to meet this demand we have under
18 construction or in various stages of design several additional
19 generating facilities. Two coal-fired steam units of 632,000
20 Kw capability each are under construction at Plant Marshall
21 in North Carolina. These units are scheduled for operation
22 in 1969 and 1970. We are also adding to our system five
23 combustion turbines with a maximum capability of 32,000 KW
24 each. These turbines will be used primarily for peaking and
25 emergency power. The first is scheduled for operation

1 later this year.

2 Of particular interest to the residents of this area
3 of South Carolina is the fact that we have begun construction
4 of our Keowee-Toxaway Project. This project will initially
5 consist of the Keowee Development, scheduled for operation in
6 late 1970, with a capability of 140,000 KW of hydroelectric
7 power, and the Jocassee Development, with a capability of
8 160,000 KW of conventional hydroelectric power and 150,000
9 KW of pumped storage hydroelectric power. The Jocassee
10 Development will be operational in 1974 and will have an
11 additional 300,000 KW pumped storage capability when
12 justified by the company's load.

13 Lake Keowee will provide condenser cooling water
14 for several steam-electric generating plants, of which the
15 Oconee site is the first proposed for development. If a
16 construction permit is granted, the Oconee Nuclear Station,
17 with an ultimate net electrical capability of about 2,622,000
18 KW, will be built near Lake Keowee and will use its water
19 for condenser cooling. I might add that construction of the
20 Oconee Nuclear Station will be started as soon as a
21 construction of the Oconee Nuclear Station will be started
22 as soon as a construction permit has been issued.

23 At the time of the summer peak period of 1972,
24 Oconee Units 1 and 2 should be able to provide about 24
25 percent of Duke's load requirements. Unit 3, of course, is

1 not scheduled for operation until 1973. When all three units
2 are operational in 1973 their capacity will represent about
3 35 percent of our load requirements at the time of system
4 peak.

5 The three Oconee units are expected to cost about
6 \$273,000,000. The initial fuel cores are expected to cost
7 an additional \$63,000,000. Construction will be financed
8 as an integral part of the company's total construction pro-
9 gram. We estimate that approximately 40 percent of the
10 funds required for the construction program through 1971
11 will be obtained from retained earnings, provisions for
12 depreciation and other internal sources, and approximately
13 60 percent through short-term borrowings and the issuance
14 and sale of securities. The types of securities to be issued
15 will depend upon market conditions at the times of sale and
16 will be consistent with the maintenance of desirable
17 capitalization ratios. I might say that all of Duke
18 Power Company's bond issues in recent years have been rated
19 AAA, and that none mature prior to 1975.

20 I would like to explain briefly why it was
21 decided that the Oconee units should utilize nuclear fuel
22 rather than fossil fuel. In order to do so, it is necessary
23 to describe our interest and experience in nuclear matters.

24 We first became interested in the possibility of
25 nuclear generation of electricity when Congress passed the

1 Atomic Energy Act of 1954. This Act permitted the use of
2 special nuclear material by private industries for the first
3 time.

4 In 1955, about a year after passage of the Act,
5 Duke Power Company sponsored an extended course in nuclear
6 engineering taught by Dr. Harold Lewis of Duke University.
7 Responsible personnel from all departments associated with
8 the design, purchase, construction, operation and main-
9 tenance of generating facilities participated. Key personnel
10 in these departments have continued their study of nuclear
11 power through industrial contacts and a Nuclear Power
12 Technical Committee which we have formed within the company.
13 This committee has served to disseminate information relating
14 to developments in the design, construction and operation of
15 nuclear power stations to interested personnel. Certain of
16 our personnel have also taken short courses, attended
17 seminars, participated in industry committees and made visits
18 to various nuclear power stations in the United States in
19 order to keep abreast of developments in the nuclear power
20 field. Just last year, 80 key personnel in the departments
21 which I have mentioned underwent a special training program
22 in nuclear power, including 84 hours of classroom instruction
23 by representatives of The Babcock and Wilcox Company
24 and the Bechtel Corporation.

25 In 1956 Duke Power Company joined with three major

1 utilities to form Carolinas-Virginia Nuclear Power Associates
2 for the purpose of building and operating a 17,000 KW
3 nuclear steam generating plant at Parr, South Carolina. This
4 project was undertaken for research and for operating and
5 engineering experience under licenses granted by the Atomic
6 Energy Commission. Its research program was successfully
7 completed earlier this year, and its shutdown was recently
8 announced by the member companies. Evidence to be presented
9 later in this hearing will more fully describe the extent
10 of Duke Power's participation in the Parr project.

11 From our study of nuclear power and the favorable
12 experience we have had with the Parr facility, we became
13 convinced that the generation of power with nuclear energy
14 is not only feasible but highly desirable, both from
15 economic and operational points of view. In early 1966 we
16 asked four suppliers of nuclear steam supply systems to
17 submit proposals for the Oconee Station. After a thorough
18 study of these proposals and after careful consideration of
19 other types of plants a contract was awarded to The Babcock
20 and Wilcox Company. The qualifications, experience and
21 responsibilities of this company will be more fully described
22 later in this hearing. I will state at this point, however,
23 that their work on our project thus far has been satisfactory
24 in every respect, and we are confident that the Oconee
25 reactors will be a safe and efficient source of power for our

1 system and that our plant will be a good neighbor for the
2 residents of Oconee County.

3 I might also note that our views on nuclear power
4 are generally shared by other electric utilities. Their
5 confidence in nuclear power is evident in the fact that over
6 50 percent of all of the new generating capacity announced
7 by electric utilities in the United States during 1966 will be
8 nuclear; and even more nuclear generating capacity was
9 announced during the first six months of 1967 than during
10 the same period in 1966.

11 We are well aware of the public's great interest in
12 atomic energy. In conjunction with construction of the
13 Oconee Station, we have planned an attractive visitors'
14 center to be located near the site. This center will contain
15 exhibits and other information concerning the station and
16 nuclear power generally. It will also include items of local
17 historical interest. I might also add that we are aware of
18 the importance of recreation and conservation and the
19 opportunities which a development such as the Keowee-
20 Toxaway Project provides for them. In that connection we
21 have undertaken an extensive forestry and wildlife program
22 and plan to provide access areas and other facilities
23 for the public enjoyment of our lakes. The company will
24 announce more detailed plans in this regard as construction
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Thank you, and I am available for any questions

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CHAIRMAN JENSCH: You will be available now and
later?

MR. PARKER: Yes, sir.

CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Very well.

Thank you, Mr. Parker. We don't have any present
questions. If we do, we will look forward to your partici-
pation.

18 1 MR. GRIGG: Mr. Chairman, this concludes our opening
rl 2 remarks.

3 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Very well. Will the staff proceed
4 with its opening statement?

5 MR. ENGELHARDT: Yes. Under the provisions of the
6 Atomic Energy Act of 1954 as amended, the Atomic Energy Com-
7 mission is responsible for licensing and regulating possession
8 and use of atomic energy materials and nuclear facilities such
9 as nuclear reactors in order to protect the health and safety
10 of the public from radiation hazards.

11 The Atomic Energy Act makes it unlawful for any
12 person to begin the construction of a nuclear reactor until the
13 construction permit has been issued by the Commission, or to
14 operate a reactor except in accordance with an operating license
15 issued by the Commission. Commission's regulations require
16 applicants who propose to build and operate reactors to include
17 in their applications the technical information required to
18 support the application.

19 The application must include a safety analysis report
20 containing the technical information required for an evaluation
21 of the safety of the proposed facility, including the suitability
22 of the site, the design of the proposed facility, and demonstrat-
23 ing that adequate safeguards will be engineered into the facility
24 to prevent the occurrence of accidents and to minimize the cons-
25 equences of any accident which might occur.

1 All information contained in the application and all
2 correspondence between the Atomic Energy Commission and the
3 applicant, including additional information requested by the
4 AEC Regulatory Staff, is placed in the Commission's Public
5 Document Room in Washington, where it may be examined by any
6 interested member of the public. The first stage of the review
7 of an application for a permit to construct a nuclear reactor
8 such as Units 1, 2, and 3 of the Oconee Nuclear Station involves
9 a staff evaluation of that application.

10 The application is evaluated by technical specialists
11 on the Commission's Regulatory Staff and their expert consult-
12 ants, and also by the Commission's Advisory Committee on Reactor
13 Safeguards. The Advisory Committee is an independent committee
14 established by the Congress to advise the Commission on matters
15 of facility safety. It's composed of scientists and engineers
16 who are specialists in the various disciplines important to
17 facility safety.

18 The report of the Advisory Committee on Reactor
19 Safeguards and the technical analysis of the safety considerations
20 relevant to the proposed facility prepared by the AEC's
21 Regulatory Staff, called a "safety analysis," are made public
22 prior to the hearing on construction permit applications. The
23 Atomic Energy Act requires that a public hearing be held on
24 each application for a permit to construct a facility. These
25 hearings are conducted by this three-man Atomic Safety and

or3 1 Licensing Board. The decision of the Board is subject to
2 review by members of the Commission upon their own initiative
3 or upon petition by a party in the proceeding.

4 Before a construction permit is issued to an applicant,
5 the Commission must first find that there is reasonable assurance
6 the applicant will comply with the Commission's regulations, that
7 the health and safety of the public will not be endangered, and
8 that the applicant is technically and financially qualified to
9 engage in the proposed activity, but the Commission's interest
10 in the facility does not end with the issuance of the construction
11 permit.

12 The facility is subject to periodic inspection by
13 Commission inspectors to assure that the facility is constructed
14 in accordance with provisions of the construction permit. Before
15 an operating license may be issued, the applicant must file with
16 the Commission an application for such a license, which contains
17 detailed information regarding the completed design of the
18 facility, a detailed description of the facility and its
19 components, and operating plans and procedures.

20 This application is given the same detailed review
21 by the Regulatory Staff and the A.RS as was the case at the
22 construction permit stage. Also, before issuing an operating
23 license for a nuclear reactor, the Commission publishes in
24 the Federal Register a notice of its intent to do so, and offers
25 any interested person an opportunity to request a hearing.

or4 1 If the Commission determines that the proposed
2 operation of the facility involves safety problems of unusual
3 significance, it may on its own initiative require another
4 public hearing. The same procedure is followed with respect
5 to requested amendments to either a construction permit or
6 a license. In the hearing today, Mr. Charles Long and Mr.
7 Brian Grimes will testify for the AEC Regulatory Staff on the
8 technical aspects of the application and will be available for
9 cross examination.

10 Their testimony is contained in the staff Safety
11 Evaluation. The staff will also offer testimony of Mr.
12 Charles A. Lovejoy of the Office of the Comptroller of the
13 Atomic Energy Commission with respect to the financial qualif-
14 ications of the applicant. Copies of the staff's Safety Eval-
15 uation and copies of Mr. Lovejoy's testimony and the statements
16 of the technical qualifications of the staff's witnesses are
17 available on the barrier or counter behind counsel's table.

18 As Mr. Grigg indicated, several witnesses will be
19 presented by the applicant in this hearing. The staff has
20 extensively questioned during the course of his extensive re-
21 view of the application. The answers to many of these questions
22 are found in the various amendments to the application. Con-
23 sequently, the staff will have very few, if any, additional
24 questions to ask of witnesses for the applicant in this pro-
25 ceeding.

1 That concludes my opening statement, Mr. Chairman.
2 However, with the Board's permission, I would like to request
3 Mr. Grimes to supplement this statement by describing the
4 staff's evaluation of the application, the reasons for the
5 conclusions reached by the staff, and summarizing the various
6 steps taken by the staff and the ACRS in their review of this
7 application.

8 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Very well. Mr. Grimes, would you
9 proceed?

10 MR. GRIMES: By an application dated November 28,
11 1966, and subsequent amendments, the Duke Power Company applied
12 to the Atomic Energy Commission for construction permits and
13 facility licenses for three nuclear reactors to be built at
14 Duke's Oconee Nuclear Station in Oconee County, South Carolina.

15 The nuclear steam supply system, including the reactor
16 core, primary system, and steam generators will be supplied by
17 the Babcock and Wilcox Company. The construction of the plant
18 will be performed by Duke, which has retained the Bechtel
19 Corporation as a general design consultant. We have reviewed
20 the technical qualifications of these companies and believe
21 they are suitably qualified to design and construct the proposed
22 reactors.

23 In this summary statement, we will first outline the
24 course and scope of our review and then discuss the items which
25 have particular safety significance for this application.

org 1 Our technical review has been based on the Preliminary
2 Safety Analysis Report and several amendments to the application.
3 The amendments were submitted in response to our requests for
4 additional information, which were a result of meetings with
5 the applicant in which technical aspects of the proposed design
6 were discussed. Our review of the site-related aspects of the
7 three units was aided by advice from the United States Weather
8 Bureau, the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, the United
9 States Geological Survey, and the United States Fish and Wildlife
10 Service. We also received assistance from Nathan M. Newmark
11 and Associates in reviewing the seismic design of the station
12 structures.

13 The thermal and hydraulic characteristics of the
14 reactor core were analyzed and evaluated at 2,452 megawatts
15 thermal, even though the applicant believes that eventually,
16 after operating experience and additional development inform-
17 ation are evaluated, the power rating can be safely increased
18 to 2,568 megawatts. The design of the major systems and com-
19 ponents of the proposed plant, including the emergency cooling
20 systems and containment structure, which bear significantly
21 on the acceptability of the plant under the site criteria
22 guidelines identified in 10 CFR Part 100, have been analyzed
23 and evaluated by the applicant and the staff at the ultimate
24 core power level of 2,568 megawatts thermal. Before operation
25 at any power level above 2,452 megawatts can be authorized, how-

or7 1 ever, the Commission is required to perform a safety evaluation
2 to assure that the core can be operated safely at the higher
3 power level.

4 The steam system design is, on the whole, not unlike
5 other pressurized water reactor designs for which construction
6 permits have recently been issued. The fuel enrichment, fuel
7 design, and arrangement of core internals are similar while
8 differing in design detail. Except for the once-through steam
9 generator, the proposed design is founded on proven concepts
10 and its similarity to other current designs for pressurized
11 water nuclear plants provides a degree of assurance that a
12 reactor of this type can be successfully built and operated.

13 We have carefully reviewed all aspects of the nuclear
14 steam system design. This includes review of the nuclear,
15 mechanical, thermal and hydraulic, rod drive, instrumentation
16 and control, reactor coolant, and secondary steam systems.
17 Similarly, the auxiliary systems, electrical systems, engineered
18 safety features and containment were reviewed in detail. The
19 containment will use pre-stressing in cylinder walls and dome
20 and is similar to other recent designs by the Bechtel Corpor-
21 ation. Our Safety Evaluation dated August 4, 1967, summarizes
22 our evaluation of these design aspects as well as our review
23 of the suitability of the proposed site for the construction
24 of these three reactors.

25 In addition to determining the adequacy of each

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1 aspect of the reactor design, we compared proposed facility
2 and site features with those of other current-generation
3 pressurized water reactors. We found that the most significant
4 differences were as follows:

5 (1) The topography of the proposed site is used to
6 advantage by using the hydroelectric plants in the Keowee
7 Dam as an emergency power source and by using gravity flow
8 from the intake canal to the tailrace of the hydroelectric
9 plants for emergency condenser cooling.

10 (2) The nuclear steam system will utilize a once-
11 through steam generator which will provide slightly superheated
12 steam to the turbine-generator.

13 (3) A penetration room ventilation system will
14 maintain a small negative pressure in the penetration room
15 under accident conditions and will filter fission product
16 leakage from containment penetrations.

17 These three areas were reviewed and, as with the rest
18 of the design, found acceptable.

19 Since the three units proposed are essentially
20 identical, our approach was to review them as one unit except
21 in the case of certain auxiliary systems such as the service
22 water, which is shared between Unit 1 and Unit 2 and sized
23 separately for Unit 3. We assured ourselves that sharing of
24 systems or components between units would not be detrimental
25 to the safe operation of any unit during normal or emergency

1 operation.

2 A number of items will require further work by the
3 applicant during the detailed design of the plant. These include
4 development tests of the steam generator, control rod drives,
5 in-core neutron detectors, thermal and hydraulic aspects of the
6 core and core cooling. In addition, further analytical work
7 is required in the areas of core cooling after a loss-of-coolant
8 accident, xenon oscillations, and positive moderator coefficient.

9 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: I don't mean to interrupt, but if
10 you have much more, I don't know how well the people in the
11 room are hearing you, and I wonder if it would be convenient
12 to take the microphone and turn to the crowd generally, because
13 the purpose of this presentation is to inform the people of
14 the evidence and the review -- I would hope they would have an
15 opportunity to hear you clearly and if you can make a presenta-
16 tion of that kind, it will fulfil the purpose of the presentation.
17 Will you proceed?

18 MR. GRIMES: Thank you. The Advisory Committee on
19 Reactor Safeguards has also conducted an independent review of
20 this plant and has made several comments and recommendations
21 in their letter of July 11, 1967, to Chairman Seaborg. We have
22 considered each of these and will be guided by all of them in
23 our continuing review of the Oconee Nuclear Station. The
24 Advisory Committee concluded that these items could be resolved
25 with the staff during construction of the reactors and that

or10 1 ". . . the proposed Oconee Nuclear Station can be constructed
2 with reasonable assurance that it can be operated without undue
3 risk to the health and safety of the public."

4 A number of features were improved as a result of our
5 review and the ACRS review. These included (1) the addition of
6 a uni-directional clutch on the control rod drive, (2) an in-
7 crease from 10 percent to 20 percent non-destructive testing
8 of the containment liner welds as a quality control measure, (3)
9 the separation of the emergency core cooling systems and
10 containment cooling systems so that each unit is served separate-
11 ly, (4) the addition of a device to prevent a loop lock in the
12 primary system after a loss-of-coolant accident, (5) the
13 addition of an underwater weir in the intake canal which would
14 retain a cooling pond in case of a rapid drawdown of Lake Koo-wee,
15 (6) the addition of a 100-kilovolt power line which could be
16 separated from the external power grid and fed by gas turbine units
17 at the Lee Station and which could serve as an alternate source
18 of emergency power.

19 In summary, as a result of our review and evaluation
20 of the Duke Power Company's application, we believe that there is
21 reasonable assurance that the Oconee Nuclear Station Units 1,
22 2, and 3 can be built and operated without undue risk to the
23 health and safety of the public. To reach this conclusion,
24 we have considered both the off-site radiation doses which
25 might occur in the unlikely event of an accident and radiation

1 doses which might result as a consequence of normal plant
2 operation. These radiation doses were calculated based on
3 the ultimate thermal power rating of 2568 thermal megawatts.

4 The construction permits sought for this station
5 would be the first step in the Commission's regulatory process
6 which would continue throughout the lifetime of the station.
7 Prior to issuing an operating license for this station, the
8 final design would be thoroughly evaluated by the Regulatory
9 Staff of the Division of Reactor Licensing and the Advisory
10 Committee on Reactor Safeguards in a manner similar to the
11 review process at this, the construction permit stage, in order
12 to determine that all of the Commission's safety requirements
13 have been satisfied. The plant would then be operated only
14 in accordance with the Commission's regulations under the
15 scrutiny of the Commission's regulatory staff throughout the
16 plant lifetime.

17 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Do you have an extra copy of that
18 statement?

19 MR. GRIMES: Yes, sir.

20 MR. ENGELHARDT: For your information and the inform-
21 ation of the Board, copies of this statement are available in
22 quantity on the divider behind counsel's desk. I will make
23 copies available to each member of the Board as well.

24 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: If you will bring three copies to
25 us, we will be appreciative. Have you concluded the staff

r12 1 presentation by way of preliminary introduction?

2 MR. ENGELHARDT: Yes, sir. This completes the
3 staff's opening statement.

4 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Thank you very much. Do the
5 intervenors desire to make a statement at this time?

6 MR. REEDER: The intervenors have been parties to
7 this proceeding, to our knowledge, for only about four hours.
8 We have not yet had time to even read carefully the two orders
9 entered by the Board denying in part our petition for leave
10 to intervene as the Piedmont Cities Power Supply, Inc., and
11 granting in part the petition for leave to intervene for all
12 of the 11 Piedmont Electric cities, nor have we had a chance
13 to study carefully the Board's order which denies the motion
14 to dismiss for lack of jurisdiction as to Oconee Unit 1 and
15 Oconee Unit 2, and defers ruling with respect to the motion
16 to dismiss as to Oconee Unit 3.

17 We therefore believe that we could make a more useful
18 opening statement after the noon recess and I hope that we will
19 also be able to make a more concise and brief opening statement
20 if we are allowed to postpone it until after lunch.

21 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Is there any other matter we might
22 consider before we recess for lunch?

23 Hearing no request at this time, we will recess this
24 proceeding, to reconvene this afternoon in this room at 2:00.

25 (Whereupon, at 12:25 o'clock p. m., the hearing was
recessed as above noted.)

AFTERNOON SESSION

(2:00 p.m.)

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3 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Please come to order. In
4 order to make a public announcement. There will be no
5 picture-taking during the course of these proceedings.

6 There is a call for a Mr. Bill England. If
7 he will come forward, please. We have a message from his
8 office.

9 Is intervenors' counsel ready to proceed in
10 reference to a statement?

11 MR. REEDER: Yes, your Honor.

12 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Will you proceed, please?

13 MR. ENGELHARDT: Mr. Chairman?

14 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Yes, staff counsel?

15 MR. ENGELHARDT: Prior to the opening statement
16 of intervenors, would it be appropriate for us to discuss
17 as a procedural matter the status of this hearing at the
18 moment with respect to these orders and to raise -- the
19 orders that you referred to and which were issued by the
20 Board yesterday? Could we at this time discuss the matter
21 of those orders and possibly defer the opening statement?
22 We, too, received copies of the order this morning and
23 have had an opportunity now to review those matters and I
24 think it might be appropriate for a procedural discussion
25 at this point on the significance and the -- to clarify

1 certain aspects of those orders so we know what the
2 intervencor is doing here prior to the making of their
3 opening statement.

4 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Perhaps his opening statement
5 will lead into the discussion. Let him make it, after
6 which we will proceed to a discussion of the orders.

7 Proceed.

X 8 MR. REEDER: Thank you, your Honor.

9 May it please the Board, my name is Spencer W.
10 Reeder. This is an opening statement on behalf of the
11 eleven Piedmont Electric Cities of Statesville, North
12 Carolina, High Point, North Carolina, Lexington, North
13 Carolina, Monroe, North Carolina, Shelby, North Carolina,
14 Albermarle, North Carolina, Cornelius, North Carolina
15 Drexel, North Carolina, Granite Falls, North Carolina,
16 Newton, North Carolina, and Lincolnton, North Carolina,
17 all of which have been admitted as parties to this proceeding
18 and to a limited extent on behalf of Piedmont Cities Power
19 Supply, Inc., which has been denied intervention in this
20 proceeding subject to the right of appeal to the full
21 Commission.

22 First I shall point out the tactical objective of
23 the eleven Piedmont Electric cities of North Carolina in
24 this proceeding. Second, my colleague, Judge Harris, will
25 state briefly for the record for the benefit of the Commission

1 in ruling upon our appeal from the Chairman's order denying
2 the motion to dismiss the application with respect to
3 Oconee Nuclear Station Units 1 and 2 and for the benefit
4 of the Commission in ruling on our anticipated appeal from
5 the Chairman's order denying intervention by Piedmont
6 Cities Power Supply, Inc., the ultimate strategic objective
7 which joint petitioners seek in the litigation which has
8 just begun. Third, my colleague, Mr. Tally, will state
9 concisely the question of national importance raised by
10 our intervention in these proceedings which, despite
11 numerous and rather premature announcements of a contrary
12 result which have appeared from time to time in the public
13 press and over the radio and on television has now been
14 granted.

15 With respect to the tactical objectives of the
16 eleven Piedmont Electric cities in this proceeding, first
17 joint petitioners will oppose the conclusion that under
18 Section 104(b) of the Act the Commission has jurisdiction
19 to grant to applicant an exclusive research and development
20 license for the pressurized water type reactor to be employed
21 in the Oconee Nuclear Station Units 1, 2 and 3.

22 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: May I interrupt? Is it your
23 thought under Section 104(b) there can be a non-exclusive
24 license?

25 MR. REEDER: No, sir, it is not. We oppose the

1 grant of an exclusive license under Section 104(b).

2 Second. Joint petitioners will support the
3 conclusion that the Commission, under Section 103 of the
4 Act, has jurisdiction to grant to Duke upon proper
5 application a non-exclusive commercial license for the
6 pressurized water type reactor to be employed in the
7 Oconee Nuclear Station Units 1, 2, and 3.

8 Three. Joint petitioners will oppose a
9 jurisdictional finding of fact by this Board under
10 Section 104(b) of the Act that the pressurized water
11 type of reactor to be employed by Duke does not have
12 practical value for commercial use and will support a
13 jurisdictional finding of fact by this Board that the
14 pressurized water type reactor to be employed by Duke
15 does have practical value for commercial use.

16 The result of the tactical objectives of the
17 eleven Piedmont Electric cities aforesaid in this proceeding
18 which I have just stated is the dismissal of Duke's
19 application for a mere research and development licensing
20 including a construction permit for the construction and
21 operation of the pressurized water type reactor to be used
22 not once but three times in Duke's Oconee Nuclear Station
23 Units 1, 2 and 3 on the ground of lack of jurisdiction.

24 And now I yield to Judge Harris who will continue
25 with the opening statement on behalf of the petitioners.

1 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Judge Harris, will you come
2 forward, please?

XXX 3 MR. HARRIS: Mr. Chairman, members of the
4 Board, the counsel of Duke and to the counsel representing
5 the staff: I would like to say that the ultimate strategic
6 goal sought by Piedmont Cities Power, Inc., and the eleven
7 Piedmont Electric cities which sponsor power supply in
8 the legal battle which has just begun may be shortly stated.

9 Number one, Power Supply requests and demands of
10 Duke Power Company the offer of an opportunity to purchase
11 for the benefit of sponsors a 4 percent undivided interest
12 as tenant in common without right of participation in the
13 ownership and capacity of the present proposed Oconee
14 Nuclear Station Units 1, 2 and 3.

15 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: May I interrupt? Is it your
16 thought that any of such matter is within the jurisdiction
17 of the Atomic Energy Commission?

18 MR. HARRIS: Yes, sir, it is my thought.

19 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Under what section?

20 MR. HARRIS: Under the sections that provide that
21 the Atomic Energy Commission may issue license under 103
22 and 104, but especially under 103.

23 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Where is the provision that
24 the Atomic Energy Commission can carve up a private utilities
25 property?

1 MR. HARRIS: The provision you will find in the
2 1954 Atomic Energy Act as amended is that part that I can't
3 cite to you by particular section that says that municipalities
4 as persons have a right to participate within the benefits
5 of atomic energy and if I may continue with number two,
6 I believe, and number three, I will answer some of your
7 questions.

8 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Please proceed.

9 MR. HARRIS: Power Supply thus requests and
10 demands of Duke the offer of an opportunity to invest in
11 Oconee for the benefit of sponsors a total of approximately
12 \$12,700,000. And, number three, Power Supply further
13 requests and demands of Duke the offer of an opportunity
14 to invest said total for the benefit of sponsors in the
15 following annual installments: 1967, \$110,000; 1968,
16 \$1,213,000; 1969, \$3,539,000; 1970, \$3,543,000; 1971,
17 \$3,024,000; 1972, \$1,184,000; 1973, the sum of \$73,000.

18 Number four, the eleven Piedmont Electric cities
19 thus seek an opportunity to own 60 percent of their current
20 power supply and would remain dependent on privately owned
21 purchased power from Duke and its great system of fossile,
22 atomic and hydrostations for the remaining 40 percent of
23 their total currently power supply.

24 Number five, the eleven Piedmont Electric cities
25 thus seek a saving in what they pay Duke for purchased

power at current rates of \$1.5 million annually for a
total saving over the forty year commercial license period
of \$60 million.

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CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Judge Harris, I am having great difficulty following your argument. It is quite an appeal for rate reductions but of course you know that this Commission has no jurisdiction of that subject, do you not?

MR. HARRIS: I am not talking about a rate reduction, sir. I am talking about a participation in the benefits of the atomic energy.

CHAIRMAN JENSCH: I am unable to find any section that authorizes the request that you describe. I would be pleased to have you give the reference. If not, let us proceed to --

MR. HARRIS: In that respect, I would defer respectfully your question to Mr. Reeder or to Mr. Tally in that I think they would be happy to answer that question, sir.

CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Maybe they can do it now.

Mr. Reeder, can you give us the section under which you believe this Commission can carve up a utility's property?

MR. REEDER: Your Honor, Judge Harris has stated the general ultimate objectives of the litigation which has just begun.

In answer to your question, I would say that by the time this litigation is over, I expect that we will have

1 an opportunity to purchase as a part of the rights of
2 municipalities under the Act to buy into non-exclusive
3 commercial licenses for reactors of a type which has been
4 found to be of practical value for commercial use a
5 fair interest of the type described by Judge Harris in his
6 statement of the objectives which we ultimately seek
7 and there is in our reply, as your Honor knows, to the answers
8 of Duke Power Company and the Regulatory Staff of the
9 AEC, opposing our application for intervention, a number of
10 the non-exclusive license provision together with a
11 citation of the provisions which provide for the enforce-
12 ment of that provision by a mandatory requirement of an
13 opinion by the Attorney General of the United States on
14 non-exclusive license applications for nuclear power and
15 on the provisions of the Act which give to municipalities
16 in high cost areas a preference in this type of application.

17 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Isn't that a preference in case
18 the municipality files an application to construct a facility,
19 the Commission is directed in high cost areas to give
20 preference to that application by a municipality?

21 Now there is none here, so can we not dismiss
22 that section of the statute? And I am back to my original
23 question of where is there authority granted by the Congress
24 to the Atomic Energy Commission to carve up a utility's
25 property?

1 MR. REEDER: There is an authority granted in the
2 Act.

3 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Non-exclusive license is what,
4 in your opinion?

5 MR. REEDER: A non-exclusive license is one which
6 under the Act gives all parties who are willing to pay
7 their fair share of the investment cost and the operating
8 cost a right to a fair participation in the license.

9 Now we do not say that we are entitled to a license
10 to operate or to a license to construct any part of this
11 Oconee Nuclear Station Units 1, 2, and 3. All we say that
12 we are entitled to a license, to acquire -- we are entitled
13 to acquire a part ownership in this system as tenants in
14 common without right of participation of the very same type
15 which several privately-owned utilities are now applying
16 for in the PJM pool where there are pending applications
17 before this Commission by Philadelphia Electric Company made
18 on its own behalf and on behalf of the parties who are
19 providing part of the cost of the investment and part of the
20 cost of the operation an interest as tenants in common without
21 right of participation in the ownership of the physical
22 property and in the capacity --

23 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: May I interrupt?

24 Does not a non-exclusive license mean that if
25 Company A files for service in a certain area it doesn't get

1 exclusive right to serve that area but Company B can also
2 have a license for the same area? It doesn't give Company
3 B a portion of Company A's property, does it? Is there any
4 definition to support that Company B can go in and take a
5 portion of Company A's property under a non-exclusive
6 license?

7 MR. REEDER: This matter has never been tried out
8 before the Board or before any court for the reason that up
9 to this time no one has every raised the question which we
10 have raised here now for the first time before the Atomic
11 Energy Commission and before this Board as to whether the
12 Board has jurisdiction to grant a research and development
13 license which means in effect a finding that the type of
14 reactor to be employed -- in this case the pressurized water
15 type reactor does not have value for commercial use -- as
16 to whether the Board has jurisdiction to grant such an
17 application, that has never been tried or argued or
18 decided before this Board and that stands at the threshold
19 of this case.

20 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Isn't that question of juris-
21 diction entirely aside from the scope of a non-exclusive
22 license?

23 My question is: Is there any definition in this
24 Act, and you recognize that this Board must guide itself
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1 by this Act? Is there any definition that a non-exclusive
2 license would let, in this supposed case to which I refer,
3 Company B to come over and say, "I want a part of Company
4 A's property"?

5 MR. REEDER: I agree with your honor that we are
6 engaging in a premature discussion in arguing that for the
7 reason we have not yet gotten by the first hurdle in this
8 case, which we have to maintain in order to get the right
9 to a non-exclusive license. That hurdle is a finding by the
10 Atomic Energy Commission or by a court on review of the
11 Atomic Energy Commission that this Board does not have
12 jurisdiction to grant an exclusive research and development
13 license for 40 years to build a \$340 million nuclear station
14 with three units of the same pressurized water type of
15 reactor which they tell you in their application is a
16 research and development facility.

17 That is our case.

18 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Would it not be helpful in the
19 consideration of this matter to limit ourselves to this
20 first hurdle to which you referred and think only of Section
21 104(b) and not any carving up of property or any other
22 proposal that you may have that you think is down the road?
23 Shall we not stay with Section 104(b)?

24 MR. REEDER: I think, your Honor, that as far as the
25 Board is concerned, in view of the exclusion of nonprofit
and in view of the determination of the Board, the initial

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1 determination of the Board that our motion to dismiss the
2 application for research and development licenses as to
3 Units 1 and 2 should be denied, that it is probably premature
4 to go into what our rights will be after we obtain this,
5 but as to the right to intervene in this case by Piedmont
6 Cities Power Supply, Inc., which right has been denied in
7 the initial decision, I think it is important to point out
8 that under a commercial license which the Board, we believe,
9 has jurisdiction to issue in this case upon proper
10 application by Duke, we would have the right to many things
11 designed to protect us against an exclusive monopoly of the
12 nuclear power reactor industry on behalf of the privately-
13 owned utilities which we do not have in this motion.
14 That is, it goes to our interest to intervene, which your
15 Honor has granted, as to the 11 Piedmont Electric Cities
16 but denied as to Piedmont Power Supply, Inc.

17 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: You have used the language
18 that this project should be or could be under Section
19 103 by a proper application by Duke. So you recognize that
20 that phase of it would be a separate proceeding with a
21 separate application, is that your thought?

22 MR. REEDER: It could be a separate application
23 or it could of course be an amendment to their application
24 in this case, in which case the municipalities would be
25 entitled to know in writing, not only the 11 municipalities

1 but all the other municipalities. Not only the State of
2 South Carolina but all the states affected. And we would
3 be --

4 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: You would have 50 states or 49,
5 would you not?

6 MR. REEDER: I won't say this.

7 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: I am trying to inquire of you
8 whether we can establish a common legal focal point. As
9 I understand it, Section 103 would be, if it ever were
10 reached, would be some separate filing by Duke and since
11 that is not here, shall we not push 103 aside and limit our
12 consideration again to Section 104(b) and decide if we can
13 resolve the contentions you raised under that section,
14 would not that contribute to expeditious consideration
15 of this proceeding?

16 MR. REEDER: I think the common legal focal point
17 in this proceeding is the finding of practical value for
18 commercial use of the pressurized water type of reactor
19 involved in this proceeding. If you find, make that finding
20 of practical value on the evidence in this case, you have
21 to dismiss this application for want of jurisdiction and if
22 you find on the other hand that there is no practical value
23 for commercial use in the type of reactor which they
24 propose to employ, the pressurized water type of reactor,
25 then you can go ahead and grant a research and development

1 license to Duke for this project which they say is so
2 commercial that they are dependent on it in 1971, 1972 and
3 1973 to meet that commercial requirement.

4 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Where did they say this is
5 commercial? I found no such reference.

6 MR. REEDER: If you read -- I know you read the
7 Appendix A to our reply to their answers in opposition to
8 our petition for leave to intervene.

9 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: You drew several inferences of
10 a kind that you describe but I find no statement by Duke
11 to that effect.
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1 MR. REEDER: I am reading to you in answer to
2 your question from Appendix A to the reply of the joint
3 petitioners which was filed on the 25th day of August 1967.

4 On page 2 of Appendix A, which is Supplement 1
5 to Duke's application and which is entitled "Duke Power
6 Company, Oconee Nuclear Station Units 1 and 2, Preliminary
7 Safety Analysis Report, Volume 1," on page 2 they say,
8 referring to the pressurized water type of station: "The
9 nuclear steam supply system is a pressurized water reactor
10 type similar to systems operating or under construction" --
11 stars -- and then continuing the quote in the next paragraph:
12 "Construction is scheduled for completion in time for
13 loading fuel into Unit 1 in December 1970, and for its
14 commercial operation" -- and I have underlined that in
15 the Appendix A -- "for its commercial operation by May 1971,
16 with commercial operation of Unit 2 scheduled by May 1972."

17 Going over to page 3 of Appendix A, the same
18 document, Supplement 1 to their application, they say
19 under tabular characteristics, Paragraph 1.3: Table 1-2
20 is a comparative list of important design and operating
21 characteristics of Duke's Oconee Nuclear Station Units 1
22 and 2, Turkey Point Units 3 and 4 (Florida Power and Light
23 Company), Indian Point Station Unit 2 (Consolidated Edison
24 Company of New York, Inc.), and Brookwood (Rochester Gas
25 and Electric Company) nuclear power stations.

1 These stations have design and operating
2 parameters close to those of the Duke facility.

3 Now, we are not here concerned, Mr. Chairman,
4 with the question whether this Board has jurisdiction
5 to issue a license to the Duke Power Company for a
6 particular station Units 1, 2 and 3. We are concerned
7 with the relatively narrow question whether the Atomic
8 Energy Commission has jurisdiction under Section 1 --
9 under Section 104(b) of the Act to issue a research and
10 development license to Duke to build three pressurized
11 water type reactors which we believe the evidence will
12 show and which we believe the application of Duke already
13 shows and which we believe other evidence of which the
14 Commission will have to take official notice shows are
15 facilities for which there is not only evidence in this
16 case of practical value for commercial use, but which this
17 Commission, in numerous cases where it has held hearings
18 and made findings and issued orders, has found as a matter
19 of law within the Atomic Energy Act, within the meaning of
20 the Atomic Energy Act, that the pressurized water type of
21 reactor does have practical value for commercial use.

22 That is our case.

23 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: May I ask one further question?
24 I think your later statement has focused the matter quite
25 substantially, but let me just go further and let me read

1 to you Section 104(b).

2 "The Commission is authorized to issue licenses
3 to persons applying therefore for utilization and production
4 facilities involved in the conduct of research and development
5 activities."

6 If I may pause for a moment, if a period were
7 placed there and that concluded the totality of Section
8 104(b), would you not agree that the initial determination
9 would have to be that there were utilization and production
10 facilities involved in the conduct of research and develop-
11 ment activity?

12 MR. REEDER: Well, Mr. Chairman, if I were to
13 agree that putting a period there would produce that result,
14 I would be engaging in what would be in effect a fiction,
15 because the next words are the words that bite.

16 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: If I may further -- it goes
17 on to say -- let me read it again from the beginning of
18 Section 104(b).

19 "The Commission is authorized to issue licenses
20 to persons applying therefor utilization and production
21 facilities involved in the conduct of research and develop-
22 ment activities leading to the demonstration of the practical
23 value of such facilities for industrial or commercial
24 purposes."

25 Now, that language is to be contrasted with

1 Section 102 which says if the Commission -- in effect I
2 am not reading now -- but if the Commission determines
3 that there is a type of facility which has been developed
4 to be of practical value -- now there is a distinction in
5 the kind of language between 102 and 104(b) in that 104(b)
6 merely requires that research and development activities
7 lead to the demonstration of practical value whether they
8 attain it or not, whereas Section 102, which is the
9 condition precedent to Section 103, it must be established
10 that there is practical value of a certain type. Do you
11 not agree?

12 MR. REEDER: No.

13 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Where do you not agree?

14 MR. REEDER: It is our position, sir, and we
15 shall contend throughout this proceeding, that the Section 102,
16 the test of practical value for commercial use, is the
17 dividing line between the type of license which this
18 Commission has jurisdiction under the Act to issue under
19 Section 103 and the type of license which it has jurisdiction
20 to issue under Section 104.

21 It is our position that if an activity -- if a
22 facility is involved in proving that the type of facility --
23 and the word "type" is in there -- that the type of facility
24 has practical value for commercial use, that it would then
25 be under Section 104(b), a research and development activity --

1 a research and development facility.

2 But, if you were obliged to find on the evidence
3 that the type of facility involved in this application,
4 namely the pressurized water type reactor, is a facility
5 which already has practical value for commercial use --
6 may I add parenthetically, why would a company of the proven
7 financial capability of Duke want to have a license for a
8 facility of 260,000 kilowatt capacity which didn't have
9 practical value for commercial use?

10 If it has already practical value for commercial
11 use, then it is our position that this Commission and this
12 Board has no jurisdiction whatever under the Act to issue
13 a research and development license for that type of facility.

14 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Why did you carve out that phrase
15 research and development when you are considering 104(b)?
16 Because you say if this has practical value, presumably
17 any practical value, you would say that Section 104(b) does
18 not apply, but the Act says that if the facility is involved
19 in research and development leading to a demonstration of
20 practical value, jurisdiction has been assigned to the
21 Commission under Section 104(b). Do you not agree?

22 MR. REEDER: Mr. Chairman, I don't agree.

23 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Why not?

24 MR. REEDER: I think you can't carve this
25 section 104 up into little parts and discuss this matter

1 piecemeal.

2 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: That is why I wanted you to
3 include research and development. You took it out.

4 MR. REEDER: You have to include Sections 102,
5 103 and 104 -- particularly 104(b) -- together as a group
6 in order to solve this jurisdictional question, and we will
7 not solve it here this afternoon. But we have been given
8 the opportunity to come in here and participate in this
9 proceeding for the purpose of aiding the Commission in
10 that jurisdictional determination, and I would like to
11 call your Honor's attention to the fact that there is
12 really no great dispute in terms of ordinary language between
13 the Piedmont Electric cities and the Duke Power Company as
14 to what the statute means.

15 We have stated in our -- we have set out in our
16 reply memorandum a quotation from a press release attributed
17 to the president of Duke Power Company, Mr. McGuire, in
18 which they have substantially agreed with us as to what
19 the meaning of this statute is, and the Board has heard
20 here this morning presentations by numerous individuals and
21 public officials and representatives of the Duke Power
22 Company, every one of which leads to the conclusion that as
23 a matter of practical common sense and the ordinary
24 interpretation of words and the meaning of words, the single
25 plain meaning of Section 104(b) of the statute is that this

1 Commission has no jurisdiction whatever to issue a
2 research and development license for a type of facility
3 which has been demonstrated by the practical interpretation
4 and the acts of responsible commercial men as well as the
5 findings of the Atomic Energy Commission in issuing licenses
6 for construction permits for Indian Point, for Brookwood,
7 formerly the Robert Ginna Station, of Rochester Gas and
8 Electric and for the Indian Point Station of Consolidated
9 Edison of New York, that this Board and these companies
10 have in effect stated where everyone who walks can read that
11 the pressurized water type of reactor does have practical
12 value for commercial use. That is the kind of a case that
13 we expect to present in the course of this hearing to which
14 your Honor has very graciously admitted us as parties.

15 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: May it be understood, there
16 was no grace involved. It was a legal determination
17 which we felt you were entitled to. We are not disposing
18 of grace. We are trying to interpret the Act.

19 (Laughter.)

20 MR. REEDER: I appreciate that, and I yield now
21 to my colleague, Mr. Tally, who will complete our opening
22 statement.

23 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Mr. Tally, will you come
24 forward, please?

25 MR. TALLY: Yes, sir.

1 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: So the record at this point will
2 be complete, it is our understanding that Duke didn't agree
3 with your interpretation as to that. They will be given
4 an opportunity to speak later.

5 Proceed, please.

6 MR. TALLY: I beg your pardon, I didn't under-
7 stand your last statement? Duke didn't agree to what?

8 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: I understood Duke hadn't agreed
9 with your interpretation of Section 104(b). I shall
10 be glad to hear them further --

11 MR. TALLY: I would be astounded if they would
12 agree. Nevertheless, they may have to. I appreciate
13 deeply the compassion if not grace exhibited by you, Mr.
14 Chairman, and I can appreciate the difference between the
15 untroubled waters of monologue this morning and the troubled
16 waters of dialogue this afternoon and appreciating the
17 complexity of the language used in the Atomic Energy Act,
18 especially as it was amended in 1954, I should be happy if --

19 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: I wonder if you would speak
20 louder so all would hear in reference to the complexity of
21 the language.

22 MR. TALLY: I should be happy if I might at your
23 instance discuss further some of the questions which you
24 raised with my colleagues. If I may ask your indulgence to
25 state three brief paragraphs in conclusion of our

1 presentation or what will be the context of this as we under-
2 stand it: I am to speak to the last part of that context
3 in that we think the issue that we raise here is technically
4 proper.

5 We think also, sir, that it has significant
6 national importance. We think the national importance
7 raised by this proceeding is whether municipally-owned
8 electric utilities, the Electric Cities of America, will be
9 protected in the rights we think they have which I hope we
10 may discuss later, in the rights we think they have under
11 this Act to own their fair share of the nuclear commercial
12 electric stations licensed by the AEC. Or whether the privately-
13 owned electric utilities of America can force the Electric
14 Cities to purchase virtually all of their power supply from
15 the investor-owned segment of the industry.

16 Now this is the same issue which was raised by
17 Dixon-Yates in the 1950's which also involved the private
18 utilities, the Atomic Energy Commission and municipally-
19 owned electric systems.

20 As this issue is considered and decided by this
21 Board, and by the Atomic Energy Commission and in the
22 course I want to be on public record that I want no one
23 to forget that Duke Power Company's attempt to obtain a
24 mere research and development license to build three
25 pressurized water type reactors for commercial use in its

1 highly successful profit-making utility enterprise is
2 the greatest grab for exclusive private monopoly power since
3 the President, the Congress and the people rejected
4 Dixon-Yates.

5 On that issue we are willing, as we proceed as
6 parties, to stand upon what we think is an interpretation
7 of this Act that you gentlemen as a Board and the
8 gentlemen of the Atomic Energy Commission and then the
9 gentleman on the Circuit Court of Appeals and then the
10 gentleman on the United States Supreme Court have never had a
11 chance to examine.

12 In the definitional part of this statute, the
13 Atomic Energy Act of 1954, the term research and development
14 is divided into just two categories. It is in 422014
15 in the U. S. Code and it reads: "The term research and
16 development means: L. Theoretical analysis, exploration
17 or experimentation."

18 I don't think even the counsel for Duke would
19 claim they come under subparagraph 1 of subparagraph b
20 of that section. or two, the extension of investigative
21 findings and theories of a scientific or technical nature
22 into practical application for experimental and demonstration
23 purposes -- for experimental and demonstration purposes,
24 including the experimental production and testing of models,
25 devices, equipment, materials and processes.

1 Now everything in Duke's application upon its face
2 shows that they are not limiting themselves to the
3 experimental production of any of these devices and we think
4 therefore that under, as Mr. Reeder has expressed it to you,
5 under the research and development license purported
6 applicati, they can't bring themselves within the
7 definition.

8 I suggest that we do not, this afternoon, have
9 to decide that but I suggest that is what we will have to
10 decide at the end of the road. And we do propose in the part
11 we will play as parties in this proceeding to direct such
12 examination and cross-examination and presentation as we
13 make to this Board to that fundamental point.

14 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Let me ask, Mr. Tally, a
15 situation that perhaps is in sequence of that which I
16 discussed with Mr. Reeder.

17 Are you familiar -- let me ask -- were some of these
18 early reactors that played a part in the technology of
19 atomic energy for peaceful use? Principal, I have in mind,
20 do you know about the Shippingport reactor?

21 MR. TALLY: Yes, sir.

22 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: As I understand it, that was the
23 first that produced power, that did get into the system
24 of an electric company. But it was kind of -- whatever they
25 had leftover could go into the electric company's property.

Now are you able to say from your understanding whether that would be a research and development facility within the meaning of 104(b) as you understand it?

MR. TALLY: I shouldn't like to be staked out on it. I should guess probably within those days and within reasonable bounds that would have been considered so. I should think perhaps even the Parr Plant might have been considered a proper application and a proper interpretation and therefore a proper construction of the plant for 17 megawatts.

CHAIRMAN JENSCH: So therefore the sale of electricity doesn't destroy the research and development aspect, does it?

MR. TALLY: Well, sir, that gets back deeply into the definition of research and development itself.

CHAIRMAN JENSCH: How does it? You can't use research and development to sell some electricity.

MR. TALLY: Well, sir, as I say I am asking that we not try to determine this afternoon what these words mean but direct our attention throughout this proceeding to what they mean. But if the definition of research and development as stated in the statute can mean only theoretical analysis, exploration or experimentation or the extension of investigative findings and theories of a scientific or technical nature into practical application for experimental

1 and demonstration purposes, that is vastly different than
2 for the sale commercially on a huge scale of electricity.
3 How can you possibly fit this \$341 million plant having
4 2,260 megawatts proposed into the language practical
5 application for experimental and demonstration purposes?
6 When Duke Power said it is for the purpose of putting that power
7 on the line in 1971, 1972, and 1973.

8 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Is it your thought that the
9 sale of electricity destroys the research and development
10 character of a plant like Duquesne? I mean Shippingport.

11 MR. TALLY: The smallest sale might not.

12 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: When does it automatically
13 swing over the line?

14 MR. TALLY: That is a matter to be fully
22 considered.

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3 : CHAIRMAN JENSCH: What are your views now about it,
1 Mr. Tally?

2 MR. TALLY: My views now would be that the Commission
3 is in this case for the first time having to consider where those
4 guidelines are.

5 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: And what do you -- where do you
6 think it should be? When is the swing from Shippingport so it
7 destroys the R & D aspects?

8 MR. TALLY: It certainly swings somewhere between a
9 17-megawatt power plant and a 2,260-megawatt Oconee plant.

10 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: You base it entirely on the volume
11 of electricity generated, is that correct?

12 MR. TALLY: No, sir.

13 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: What do you base it on?

14 MR. TALLY: First, upon the interpretation of this
15 statute itself.

16 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: What is that?

17 MR. TALLY: Well, as Mr. Reeder has indicated, you
18 have to take into account 102, 103, and 104 to which I have
19 added is the definitional section at the beginning of the
20 statute, and even when you have read the entire life history
21 of those sections, the Board and the Commission are still left
22 with the Herculean job of deciding really for the first time
23 on a fundamental challenge such as we are bringing here what
24 practical value means and what R & D mean, and these other com-
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1 ponents that go into the tremendously tight language of this
2 statute, but we think we can demonstrate in the course of the
3 hearings before this Board and then before the Commission and
4 then before the courts, if that should eventuate, that this type
5 of application which Duke has made and the record upon which it
6 will be judged by you gentlemen and the Commission and possibly
7 the courts can't possibly be consistent with the language of
8 the statute as any reasonable interpretation of it would run,
9 but you gentlemen have never had a chance to make that reasonable
10 interpretation.

11 Up to now there has been really no challenge on the
12 other side so that you had to think what this statute really
13 does mean, nor had you had to bring into play the public pro-
14 tection we are talking about here which the Congress wrote in
15 here and appended to 103 and keyed to practical value and keyed
16 also to research and development.

17 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: So in making the interpretation
18 we are inviting the views of the participants, so we are asking
19 your view?

20 MR. TALLY: Yes.

21 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: When does the quantity of electricity
22 generated swing away and destroy the research and development
23 that is involved in a project? Starting with Shippingport, can
24 you trace it through and tell us where in your judgment, because
25 we are asking for your views to aid us in the interpretation

1 we will have to make and that the Commission will have to make
2 and the other sequence to which you refer --

3 MR. TALLY: You certainly won't expect me as a
4 layman to say when, so far as --

5 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: We are asking your views because
6 we want you to help us interpret this correctly.

7 MR. TALLY: I think it would be dependent upon many
8 factors. Not just the amount of electricity generated there.
9 It would seem to me it would depend upon whether, for example,
10 by previous determination of the Commission this type of
11 pressurized reactor had been licensed, even if it had been
12 licensed, as has been the case, under R & D. If this Commission
13 has had the chance to see that reactor being constructed and the
14 same type of reactor being proposed, then it would seem to me
15 you are moving very close to the point where you have to find
16 practical value even without considering how much electricity
17 is proposed to be generated.

18 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Of course, we are not going to make
19 any collateral attack upon the outstanding orders of the
20 Commission in reference to previously authorized reactors, so
21 we have to take this reactor under this statute and I wondered
22 where, in your judgment, the quantity of electricity to which
23 there have been these new references destroyed the research
24 and development character of a Section 104(b) facility.

25 MR. TALLY: Well, sir, I again don't want to have you

1 get the impression at all that I think it depends upon that
2 sole factor of how much electricity. I have tried to do my
3 best by answering that certainly somewhere between a 17-megawatt
4 Parr plant and a 2,260-megawatt Oconee plant.

5 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: 2,259 would be adequate for research
6 and development?

7 (Laughter.)

8 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Somewhere between?

9 MR. TALLY: Well, sir, certainly when these businessmen
10 representing their hard-headed shareholders put up millions
11 of dollars and come to you on an official record and say they
12 are going to generate electricity commercially, it seems to me
13 that we are not to engage in a pirouette before the Board or
14 the Commission about what the word "commercial" means. They
15 understand it. They have put their money on it.

16 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Well, we have to ask the views of
17 those who are participating. If you at any later time come to a
18 conclusion respecting those matters we would appreciate having
19 your views, Mr. Tally, because we won't know how you feel the
20 Act should be interpreted unless you express yourself specifically
21 to the problem we have at hand.

22 MR. TALLY: I deeply appreciate that, sir, and that
23 is what we wish to do throughout the course of this. It's not
24 our wish at any time to impede either what are the utility needs
25 of the people of the great States of South Carolina and North

1 Carolina. Our interest, as we understand it as lawyers, is
2 to protect what is the public utilities part of that interest,
3 and we just feel that this jurisdictional question stands at
4 the threshold of it and it also stands at the final door through
5 which this record will go.

6 And we do want to be helpful in it and we do want to
7 suggest that it is -- that all of these factors have to be taken
8 into account, beginning with the definitions in here and that
9 this is the first time that the Board and the Commission and
10 the courts have ever really had the opportunity to do it,
11 because you haven't been helped heretofore, because no one
12 challenged heretofore.

13 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: And your help will be certainly
14 appreciated and if you will tell us, from time to time, as you
15 arrive at conclusions, because we won't know just the direction
16 to which you are pointing your evidence unless we have your
17 views, and there are many factors, all parts of a statute must
18 be considered together, but you have to look at one at a time and
19 so take a look at 104(b) is where I just get plainly stopped, and
20 I haven't gotten beyond 104(b), because that is the application
21 that is before us.

22 I don't know if you recognize, as I understand you
23 do, that you can have a sale of electricity from a research
24 and development facility and still qualify under a Section
25 104(b) -- why the research and development is destroyed at

or7 1 based upon an opinion by Mr. Hennessy, their general counsel,
2 that demonstrated practical value involved economics as well
3 as technology, and, as this Board is well aware, there is no
4 874-megawatt electric nuclear generating unit in service anywhere
5 in the world, while, as the staff has pointed out in memoranda
6 to the Commission, while the AEC staff is satisfied as to the
7 technical feasibility and the safety, the economic feasibility,
8 its competitiveness as compared with the coal-fired steam plant
9 has yet to be demonstrated, and there must be, of course, oper-
10 ation of the plant to demonstrate that.

11 This Board, I think, is bound by the Commission's
12 rule-making as late as last December. This is merely an attack on
13 that rule-making. While I am on my feet, sir, one other area of
14 disagreement. That is the suggestion that there is any remedy
15 in the Atomic Energy Act or in the anti-trust laws or even in
16 the Federal Power Act that would permit, as the Chairman put
17 it, Company A to appropriate even for compensation a part of
18 Company B's utility property. We can't read that into either
19 Federal Power Act, Atomic Energy Act, or anti-trust laws.

20 It does, however, violate a fundamental principle of
21 public utility regulation, and that may be why these gentlemen
22 chose this novel forum rather than their conventional forum,
23 where an adequate remedy exists in the Federal Power Act. Duke
24 is admittedly an interstate electric utility. Its wholesale
25 rates, that is, its rates for resale, are subject to the

or6 1 some point, and where is it in the quantity problem? As I
2 understand it -- and dollars. I should say you have mentioned
3 dollars several times.

4 MR. TALLY: Your Honor would appreciate many of
5 these things are resolved to a matter of degree. I might also
6 give a negative indication, though, that will be implicit in
7 our position. That is that mere tinkering and testing with one
8 of these reactors, tightening the nuts and bolts before getting
9 it under way, doesn't constitute research and development either.

10 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Now, I wonder if we may take up
11 staff counsel's suggestion of considering procedures, but
12 maybe we should ask the applicant, so it would be firmly
13 established on the record, are you in agreement -- is that
14 correct -- with the intervenors' counsel of the interpretation
15 of the Act?

16 MR. HORN: No, sir. We are not. We consider that
17 this is an attempt to make a collateral attack on the
18 Commission's rule-making, which was of general application as
19 to boiling water and pressurized water reactors. Two of them,
20 the latest being in December of last year, while this very ap-
21 plication was on file before the Commission. The Commission
22 again considered the matter on request of the National Coal
23 Association, and decided that the time hadn't yet arrived where
24 large-scale pressurized water reactors could be found to have
25 practical value and again the Commission pointed out there,

or8 1 jurisdiction of the Federal Power Commission. The Federal
2 Power Act provides those rates must be just and reasonable,
3 and that applies whether the electricity is generated at a
4 hydro plant, at a coal-burning steam plant, or at a nuclear
5 plant. So the remedy there, if the rate is unreasonable, and
6 we have contended publicly that it's not because it's the lowest
7 wholesale rate in the two Carolinas, it's the lowest rate in
8 Duke Power's rate structure, so we have publicly refused a
9 voluntary rate reduction which is their stated goal today.

10 We are perfectly willing to litigate that question
11 out before the proper forum, which is the Federal Power Commiss-
12 ion. But the Federal Power Commission, in my judgment, could
13 not and would not countenance such obvious discrimination as
14 taking one particular customer or class of customers and
15 saying you are my favorite child. You may buy all of your
16 power, or the bulk of your power, from this company's newest
17 and most modern plant and therefore its least expensive to
18 operate -- it should be -- and leaving the other customers
19 to bear the expense of the economics of the older plants,
20 which will range in age from maybe 25 to 30 years on up to
21 brand-new. Of Duke Power's 20 largest customers, less than half
22 are wholesale customers, municipalities or cooperatives.

23 If these 11 wholesale towns are entitled to buy a
24 piece of a specific plant, the newest or most economic plant,
25 certainly those industrial concerns, those manufacturing plants

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1 are equally entitled to. So then you get to the question of --
2 you carry that to its ultimate degree and here is the householder,
3 he is paying the higher cost of the older plants that are about
4 ready to go out of service. That is why this principle that
5 they are asking for violates a fundamental principle of utility
6 regulation.

7 Knowing that there is a need, definite need for these
8 Oconee units to meet Duke Power's summer peak of 1971 for the
9 first unit, 1972 for the second, 1973 for the third, and that
10 time is of the essence, I will represent our contention earlier
11 at the pre-hearing conference, that this is an abuse of the
12 administrative process. I don't wish to comment on the two
13 orders until counsel for the staff has had opportunity to do so,
14 but I would at this time like to renew the motion to dismiss
15 these cities as parties for the reason that their pleading,
16 as limited or expanded by their pre-trial conference, has
17 revealed no interest in this proceeding.

18 They have not addressed themselves to any issue
19 that the Chairman read this morning as the issues which
20 would be involved in this hearing, and the only issue to
21 which they addressed themselves is that relief which this
22 Board in its order very properly says is beyond the jurisdiction
23 of the Commission to grant.

24 So I will now, on the basis of their opening statement,
25 move to dismiss them as parties. I would like to be heard

1 following staff counsel on the orders of August 28.

2 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Do you not understand they are also
3 asking for the investigations, if the jurisdiction point is
4 resolved in their favor, that is, that they may not -- I don't
5 say they may not -- they don't agree to that -- but assuming
6 they don't get a carving out of the plant or a portion of the
7 capacity, nevertheless the right to get some investigations
8 undertaken is still outstanding, is it not?

9 MR. HORN: Yes, sir. To answer that, I will have to
10 address myself to a portion of one of the August 28 orders. I
11 can do so now or await Mr. Engelhardt and then do it, as you
12 prefer.

13 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: You will be given an opportunity.
14 Let us hear from staff counsel and his suggestions on procedure.

15 MR. ENGELHARDT: I think it may be inappropriate to
16 characterize what I have to say as simply procedural, because
17 it may go to some substance with respect to the standing of
18 these parties, but I think if we understand that is what I had
19 in mind --

20 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: You are not limited. Will you
21 proceed?

22 MR. ENGELHARDT: I do express some concern at the
23 turn of the argument. I think the argument presented by the
24 intervenors in this proceeding is repeating to a great extent
25 that which we have already seen in various filings in this

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1 proceeding. I think that the arguments that are presented by
2 the intervenors are frankly without merit. I think they reflect
3 a misunderstanding of the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act
4 and the implementing regulations. I think our position is
5 clearly stated, and I won't go into any argument on that matter.
6 Our position is clearly stated in the brief which we have filed
7 on the 25th of August in which we state our position with regard
8 to the contentions of the intervenors, and I am concerned that
9 the statements that have been made which the intervenors in
10 this proceeding have not enlightened me to any great extent
11 as to where we really are going in this proceeding.

12 This proceeding was noticed for hearing with specific
13 issues which were identified by the Chairman of this Board at
14 the opening of the hearing, and they relate essentially to
15 public health and safety matters and to matters related to
16 common defense and security. The Chairman of the Board -- rather,
17 the Board has issued recently, as of yesterday, two orders,
18 one which has granted the petition to intervene of the 11 cities,
19 while denying the Piedmont Cities Power Supply Company's petition,
20 and the Board has ordered, has issued an order denying the motion
21 to dismiss with respect to Units 1 and 2 and has deferred a
22 decision with respect to Unit 3.

23 This leads me to the point that I am somewhat concerned
24 with, and I think with respect to the order denying the inter-
25 vention, I would inquire of the Board as to whether this particula:

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1 denial was based as a -- or, should I say, is denied as a matter
2 of law, or was this intended to be as a matter of discretion with
3 the Board?

4 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: What difference does it make?

5 MR. ENGELHARDT: I think this is a matter of some
6 interest, since it's a matter of law in this particular hearing.
7 I think I would take exception to the -- to possibly the inter-
8 pretation which has been given to certain of the cases that
9 are cited as a basis for showing an economic interest, and I
10 think that if this is the case, I think I would like to know
11 from the Chairman whether this was the intent or whether it was
12 the intent of the Board to grant this intervention as a matter
13 of discretion, as has happened in some of the proceedings that
14 we have had before the -- before Atomic Safety and Licensing
15 Boards in the past.

16 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Exceptions will also be noted by
17 all parties to these orders. The orders will speak for them-
18 selves, and you may proceed.

19 MR. ENGELHARDT: With regard to the order denying the
20 granting of intervention, I feel that these parties have shown
21 no economic standing with regard to -- or shall I say economic
22 injury as we would relate that to the Atomic Energy Act, and I
23 feel that the citations to law in that order are to essentially
24 the Natural Gas Act, which is essentially a matter of -- I
25 should say provides for specific intervention of a broader nature

3 1 than we have within the Atomic Energy Act, and I think this
2 interpretation raises somewhat a novel matter of policy and law
3 with respect to Atomic Energy Commission proceedings, and I
4 would at this point in time request that the Board certify
5 this particular order granting intervention to the 11 Piedmont
6 cities to the Commission for a determination as to the matter
7 of the standing of these parties.

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1 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: When the opportunity was given
2 to the staff to file a brief, the Board expected the staff
3 to deal with this subject in its brief. Nowhere in the
4 brief filed was the question of jurisdiction discussed,
5 although it was specifically requested at the pre-hearing
6 conference, and therefore we were somewhat dismayed to
7 read the scope of the brief filed by the staff.

8 These matters to which you refer will be noted
9 in the record. Exceptions may be had. And you may proceed.
10 The Board has reached the conclusions reflected by the two
11 orders and is ready to proceed upon that basis. Unless
12 you have something further, additional to what you have
13 presented, we would be ready to receive evidence from the
14 applicant and proceed.

15 MR. ENGELHARDT: I would like to note for the
16 purpose of -- with respect to the last comment, that in
17 our brief we did indicate a certain line of cases in which
18 we indicated our interpretation of standing to participate
19 in a proceeding, and I think that those cases speak for
20 themselves, and I think that they are identified properly
21 and I think that we would continue to rely on such a line
22 of cases in such an event.

23 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: You may do so.

24 MR. ENGELHARDT: Now, with respect to the order
25 denying the motion to dismiss the application, the Board

1 defers the consideration of the motion with respect to
2 Unit 3. This particular statement by the Board is somewhat
3 difficult for me to interpret and I wonder if it would be --
4 if the Board would be willing to indicate more clearly
5 what its intention was with respect to deferring that
6 particular motion, that portion of the motion.

7 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Will you tell us what your
8 difficulty is and perhaps we can be of some assistance.

9 MR. ENGELHARDT: I can foresee that if the
10 matter is deferred for some long period into the far, dim,
11 distant future, that there is a possibility that a decision
12 by this Board might be subject to some -- that is an
13 initial decision by this Board might be subject to some
14 serious question simply because we have an open-ended
15 deferral of a portion of a motion. This means that we --
16 while we proceed with this hearing we don't know whether
17 the motion is granted or is denied and we don't know at
18 the close of the hearing, unless something occurs, whether
19 this particular motion or particular order remains in
20 effect or whether this is a means of providing the Commission
21 with an opportunity to determine to what extent this deferral
22 should continue on into the future. This is my concern.
23 This is what I can visualize as a problem.

24 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: You really won't know what the
25 Board will recommend respecting the issuance until the

1 decision, either, so if you can struggle with that one we
2 hope you will be able to struggle with Unit 3.

3 MR. ENGELHARDT: This means we have no basis
4 for knowing whether or not the matter of what is in that
5 motion is a proper subject for the evidentiary record and
6 we will have to, until such a disposition is made of that
7 order, we would probably have to take objection or object
8 to the testimony on the basis of our -- on the basis of
9 our interpretation that this matter is not the proper
10 subject for this proceeding.

11 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: We don't want to limit you in
12 any way in the contentions you may assert, but we will
13 proceed with the evidence and you can make the objections
14 and insertions as we proceed, but I think it will contribute
15 to the consideration of this matter if we proceed with the
16 evidence and perhaps some guidance will be given to the
17 parties based upon the evidence that is adduced.

18 Does the applicant -- have you concluded?

19 MR. ENGELHARDT: I did want to raise another
20 rather serious question so far as I am concerned, and that
21 is the extent to which these parties now may participate in
22 this proceeding.

23 We know that the proceeding is basically set forth
24 on the issues which are set forth on the issues which are set
25 forth in the notice of hearing. We have no guidance with

1 regard to the basis upon which the intervenors may
2 participate. It would be my interpretation that at this
3 stage in the proceeding the intervenors are limited to
4 the issues as they are set forth in this hearing, and
5 again I would say that this is a matter which would --
6 it would be useful to have clarification.

7 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: It is my recollection that
8 at the pre-hearing conference the question of the issue
9 of jurisdiction was considered and I think that a
10 particular question was directed to applicant's counsel
11 that the issue of jurisdiction is as present in the
12 proceeding whether it is noticed or not, and he said I
13 agree, and I heard no dissent from that view.

14 Since the matter was not disputed in the staff
15 brief which was filed on August 25th, we proceeded upon
16 the basis that the staff was likewise in agreement.

17 But, in any event, I think the law is quite
18 clearly established, as applicant's counsel has indicated.
19 Therefore, with the issue of jurisdiction before us and
20 the economic interest of these parties related to the
21 question of jurisdiction, it is your view as set forth in
22 the order respecting intervention as stated, this economic
23 interest is directly related to the issue of jurisdictions
24 which the parties to this proceeding recognize as fundamental
25 in any regulatory proceeding. Therefore, for the guidance

1 of the staff, that portion of the order may be of interest.

2 MR. ENGELHARDT: I think as a footnote, of course,
3 the matter of jurisdiction and the matter of standing with
4 regard to the Commission's brief, our brief devoted itself
5 to the matter of standing, and I think this is where we
6 have a basic disagreement possibly with the Board with
7 regard to the merits of the contentions of these parties
8 that they have no standing, and this is the basis for our
9 request which has been recognized by the Board that the
10 matter be certified to the Commission, because this is
11 a significant and novel matter, we consider, of policy or
12 law for which the Commission should have an opportunity
13 to consider.

14 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: The position of staff is noted.
15 The Board adheres to the position.

16 Does applicant desire to speak further to these
17 matters?

18 MR. HORN: Very briefly. We would like the
19 record to show the applicant didn't join in the staff's
20 motion to certify this order permitting intervention to
21 the full Commission for the reason that the applicant
22 wishes to proceed with the hearing and with the least
23 possible delay.

24 We would like the record to show the applicant's
25 exception to that portion of the order permitting intervention,

1 that portion of the order which permits the eleven cities
2 to intervene and finding that they have an interest under
3 the limited inquiry provided by the Atomic Energy Act.

4 We would, as to the order denying the motion to
5 dismiss as to Oconee Units 1 and 2 and deferring decision as
6 to Oconee Unit 3, we would like the record to show that
7 the applicant excepts to that portion of the order deferring
8 ruling on Oconee 3 for the reason that this suggestion at
9 least possibly, or by inference that this Board could make
10 a finding of practical value as to this particular reactor,
11 and we don't concede that to be the law.

12 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Let me try to answer that
13 particular phase. Will you excuse the interruption?

14 MR. HORN: Surely.

15 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: We have limited ourselves in
16 our orders solely to the scope, as we interpret it, of
17 Section 104(b). We, as we indicated at the pre-hearing
18 conference, didn't intend to modify, alter or in any way
19 change the rulings of the Commission respecting practical
20 value. Either one of the two rulings made by the Commission.
21 Our decision here was based solely on our interpretation of
22 Section 104(b).

23 Now, as to the order respecting Oconee Units 1,
24 2, and 3, it was our conclusion as set forth in the order
25 that the applicant had set forth in its application a

1 proposal related to utilization and production facilities
2 which were proposed to be involved in the conduct of
3 research and development activities leading to the
4 demonstration for practical value of such facilities
5 for industrial or commercial purposes.

6 Respecting Oconee No. 3, it was not our opinion,
7 or rather it was our opinion in the positive, that Oconee
8 Unit No. 3 hadn't been shown on this record so far to be
9 a utilization and production facility involved in the
10 conduct of research and development activities leading to
11 the demonstration of the practical value of such facilities
12 for industrial or commercial purposes.

13 Let it be clearly stated now that this Board
14 will at no time purport to make any finding under Section 102
15 or find any application in this proceeding to Section 103.
16 Our proceeding is solely upon the basis of the evidence so
17 far in this record. We can't classify Oconee No. 3 to be
18 within the scope of Section 104(b), which I just read. If
19 the evidence is adduced that modifies that position, the
20 Board will make a ruling in reference to that matter solely
21 under Section 104(b).

22 MR. HORN: Well, sir, our practical difficulty
23 of course was that you can obtain a license for a power
24 reactor now only under 104(b), and Oconee No. 3 being
25 identical to 1 and 2, or substantially identical, and

1 construction having been planned to proceed at least in
2 part concurrently, it seemed that these three all have to
3 stand on their own feet. In other words, we were unable
4 to see the Board's reasoning in making a distinction
5 between any one of the three units in that respect, the
6 economics of which have yet to be demonstrated as to all
7 three equally, I think.

8 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: We tried to indicate our view
9 of the difference in the sentence in which we said we don't
10 expect that Duke will repeat the same experiments in Oconee
11 Unit 3 as they have undertaken in reference to Oconee Units
12 1 and 2.

13 Have you concluded?

14 MR. HORN: Yes, sir.

15 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Do you have anything further,
16 intervenors' counsel?

17 MR. REEDER: Merely out of an abundance of
18 caution, I would like to state for the record our exceptions
19 to the Board's rulings in the two orders issued yesterday
20 and received by us this morning insofar as the first order
21 denies the motion to dismiss with respect to the application
22 for license for the pressurized water type reactor to be used
23 in Oconee Units 1 and 2.

24 We also wish to except out of an abundance of
25 caution to the Board's order which I have called the second

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CHAIRMAN JENSON: Please come to order.

Will the applicant call the first witness,
please?

MR. GRIGG: Mr. Chairman, at the pre-hearing conference
reference was made to a Joint Exhibit A of the staff and
applicant which consists of the application of the
application of various supporting documents. I think it
was stipulated that that would be accepted into evidence and
incorporated in the record as if read. We would submit
that at this time, if the Board please.

CHAIRMAN JENSON: My recollection isn't quite the
same. I think there was the description of the document and
I think that is about as far as we went without receiving
any evidence or making stipulations in regard thereto.

MR. ENCELHARDT: I think at this time the staff
would like to offer as part of the evidentiary material of
this record the documents which are listed in the index which
I am arranging to have distributed to the parties and to the
members of the Board. This index identifies 14 documents
or 14 items which consists essentially and I won't read
them off. I will characterize them as the application of the
Duke Power Company as amended for Oconee Units 1, 2, and 3
and certain correspondence from the Regulatory Staff
to the Duke Power Company with respect to requests for
additional technical information.

1 The applicants, staff of course and the Board
2 members have all been provided with copies of all of the
3 documents that are listed on these 14 items. The intervenors
4 have been provided with an intervenors' copy containing all
5 of these 14 items and I would now like to move that
6 the index to these documents be incorporated into the record
7 of this transcript as if read and that this material which
8 is identified in this index be made a part -- that this
9 material which is identified as staff and applicant
10 Joint Exhibit A be made a part of the evidentiary record.

11 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: First, the document to which
12 staff counsel has just referred may be marked for identifica-
13 tion as Joint Applicant-Staff Exhibit A. Having thus been
14 identified and having been previously offered, is there an
15 objection by the Applicant?

16 MR. GRIGG: On the contrary, we join in the motion.

17 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Intervenors?

18 MR. REEDER: We don't wish to enter into any
19 stipulation about the documents because we have not yet had a
20 chance to examine them. We will, however, not hold up
21 their introduction by making any objection to them on the
22 ground that we have only just received them today, but we will
23 reserve the right to move to strike anything we think is
24 irrelevant, incompetent or immaterial.

25 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: The reservation may be noted.

1 order which denies the petition for leave to intervene of
2 Piedmont Cities Power Supply, Inc. And I make those
3 exceptions only to be sure that we are in the ballpark
4 when it comes time to filing our appeal to the Commission.

5 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: As I intended to indicate,
6 exceptions are allowed to all parties respecting these
7 orders and there would be no limitations intended on any
8 of these parties excepting --

9 MR. ENGELHARDT: I would like to note for the
10 record that, as I have already, that I have taken the
11 exceptions to the order granting intervention. I would
12 likewise take exception to the order granting or deferring
13 the decision respecting the matter of Oconee Nuclear
14 Station No. 3.

15 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Again may I say for emphasis
16 that exceptions are allowed to all parties and that
17 includes the regulatory staff of the Commission, the
18 applicant and the intervenors and anybody else who wants
19 to take some exceptions.

20 Are we ready to proceed to the introduction of
21 evidence?

22 MR. GRIGG: Applicant is ready.

23 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Before we do that, let's take
24 a ten minute recess. We will reconvene in this room at 3:06.

25 (Recess.)

State of South Carolina, any objection?

MR. LIGHTSEY: No, sir.

CHAIRMAN JENSCH: The staff exhibit -- rather Joint Applicant-Staff Exhibit may be designated Staff Exhibit A and is received in evidence subject to the reservation noted of the motion to strike.

(Whereupon, the document referred to was marked Staff Exhibit A for identification and was received in evidence.)

CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Will you proceed?

MR. GRIGG: We have, as I indicated this morning, three broad classifications --

CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Excuse me just one moment.

The request of staff counsel is also granted. The index to which he referred and which has been distributed to all parties may be incorporated within the transcript as if read. So the transcript will reflect the detail of Staff Exhibit A.

Excuse me for interrupting.

Will you proceed?

MR. GRIGG: We have three broad categories of witnesses. We have three who will present direct testimony orally. We have a panel of eight experts and then we have a group of 19 technical back-up witnesses. There are some

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1 27 or 28 in all.

2 If the Board please, we can have them all sworn
3 at one time or have them sworn as they appear at the
4 Board's pleasure.

5 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: While informality prevails,
6 sometimes for the sake of keeping the record straight until
7 you reach the panel, I wondered if it might be well to
8 take each witness and swear them as they are presented for
9 presentation of evidence.

10 Would that be agreeable?

11 MR. GRIGG: Perfectly agreeable.

12 We would call as our first witness Mr. William
13 S. Lee.

14 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Mr. Lee, come forward, please,
15 and be sworn.

XXXXX 16 Whereupon,

17 WILLIAM S. LEE
18 was called as a witness and, having been first duly sworn,
19 was examined and testified as follows:

20 DIRECT EXAMINATION

21 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Will you proceed?

22 BY MR. GRIGG:

23 Q Please state your name, address and position at
24 Duke Power Company.

25 A My name is William S. Lee and my address is 1632

1 Beverly Drive, Charlotte, North Carolina. I am employed by
2 Duke Power Company as Vice President, Engineering.

3 Q Please describe your educational background and
4 experience.

5 A I was graduated from Princeton University in 1951
6 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering.

7 I served as an officer in the Navy Civil Engineering
8 Corps from 1951 through 1954, during which time I participated
9 in the design and construction of military facilities.

10 In January, 1955 I joined the Engineering
11 Department of Duke Power Company as Junior Designer, and
12 since that time have been continuously engaged in the
13 engineering design of Duke Power Company's electric generating
14 stations. I received several promotions accompanied by
15 increasing levels of engineering responsibility, and was
16 appointed Engineering Manager in May, 1962, and Vice
17 President, Engineering, in October, 1965. In each of these
18 two capacities, I served as head of the Engineering
19 Department in full responsible charge of the design of the
20 company's generating plants, as well as other responsibilities.
21 My experience includes participation in or full responsibility
22 for the engineering design of 2,654,000 KW of steam and
23 hydraulic capacity now in service; 1,664,000 KW generating
24 capacity presently under construction; and 3,232,000 KW
25 in various stages of design.

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1 In 1955, I received training in nuclear
2 engineering in a course sponsored by Duke Power Company,
3 and was temporarily assigned in 1957 to Carolinas-Virginia
4 Nuclear Power Associates to participate in selection of
5 reactor type, site location, cost estimating and conceptual
6 design of the Parr Nuclear Station in South Carolina. Since
7 1962, I have directed Duke Power Company's continuing study
8 and evaluation of nuclear power.

9 I am a member of the American Society of Civil
10 Engineers, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers,
11 the American Nuclear Society, the United States Committee
12 on Large Dams, the National Society of Professional
13 Engineers, and am a Registered Professional Engineer in the
14 States of South Carolina and North Carolina.

15 Q What are your present duties as Vice President,
16 Engineering, of Duke Power Company and, specifically, how do
17 they relate to the Oconee Nuclear Station?

18 A As Vice President, Engineering, my duties
19 include direction of the company's Engineering Department
20 and participation as an officer in the management of those
21 company affairs relating to engineering. It is the function of
22 the Engineering Department under my direction to conceive and
23 perform engineering design of the company's electric
24 generating plants of all types, including related
25 facilities such as dams, highways, railroads, hydraulic

1 works, office buildings, switching stations, etc.

2 Engineering design of the Keowee-Toxaway Project and the
3 Oconee Nuclear Station is being performed by this Department.

4 Q Will you describe in general terms the design of
5 the Oconee Plant and its characteristics?

6 A The Oconee Nuclear Station will consist of three
7 pressurized water reactors, which are planned for commercial
8 operation in 1971, 1972 and 1973, respectively. The reactors
9 are similar to others now in operation or under construction,
10 and will be supplied by the Babcock and Wilcox Company.

11 It is expected that each reactor will operate
12 initially at core power levels up to 2,452 thermal megawatts,
13 and all physics and core thermal hydraulics information submitted
14 in support of our application is based on a core design for
15 nominal operation at that level. It is expected, however,
16 that each unit will be capable of ultimate nominal operation
17 at a core power of 2,568 thermal megawatts. The facility
18 systems, engineered safeguards and containment are designed
19 consistent with safe operation at this higher power level.

20 The reactors will be fueled with slightly enriched
21 uranium dioxide pellets contained in zircaloy tubes. Control
22 of reactivity will be provided by a combination of dissolved
23 neutron absorber and movable control rods. The neutron
24 absorber, boric acid, is dissolved in the reactor coolant
25 for the purpose of controlling the long-term reactivity of

1 the core and cold shutdown. Silver-indium-cadmium control
2 rods clad in stainless steel are employed to control short-
3 term changes in reactivity and to provide fast shutdown
4 capability.

5 Incore instrumentation, consisting of self-
6 powered neutron detectors, will be located at pre-selected
7 locations within the core. This instrumentation will allow
8 confirmation of reactor design parameters by monitoring core
9 performance. The fuel core will be supported within a heavy-
10 walled steel reactor vessel, through which water will be
11 pumped to remove heat generated in the core. This
12 thermal energy will be transferred to two once-through
13 steam generators for each unit. The steam produced will
14 be used to drive a conventional turbine-generator and will
15 generate initially about 839 megawatts of electricity.
16 Ultimately, it is expected that each unit will have a net
17 electrical capability of about 874 megawatts.

18 There are numerous systems, components and
19 features incorporated into the station to protect the public.
20 In power reactors such as those planned for the Oconee
21 Units, the fuel type and arrangement are such that a nuclear
22 explosion is not possible. The first line of protection
23 against the release of fission products from the reactors is
24 the fuel itself, which has a high capability for retaining
25 fission products within its own structure. In turn, the fuel

1 pellets are encased in metal tubes which are designed to
2 withstand greater temperatures and pressures than those to
3 which they will be subjected and to prevent the escape of
4 fission products. However, even if some of the fuel rods
5 should fail and permit escape of fission products, they would
6 be contained by the reactor coolant system which consists
7 of closed loops also acting as a barrier.

8 As still a further containment, the reactor building
9 encloses and contains the entire reactor coolant system to
10 prevent the release of radioactive fluids and vapors to the
11 environments in the remote event of an accident. In the
12 Oconee Station each of the three reactor coolant systems
13 will be housed in its own prestressed, post-tensioned con-
14 crete containment building in the shape of a cylinder. The
15 inside diameter of each building is 116 feet and the inside
16 height will be 206 feet. Each containment building will
17 rest on an integral concrete slab approximately 8-1/2 feet
18 thick. The vertical walls will be approximately 3-3/4 feet
19 thick and the dome approximately 2-1/4 feet thick. Each
20 building will be lined with 1/4 inch welded steel plate to
21 provide vapor tightness. Each reactor building containment
22 is designed to limit radioactivity release in event of an
23 accident to values well below the guidelines published by the
24 Atomic Energy Commission in the Federal Register.

25 Q Will you please describe in general terms the site of

1 the Oconee Station and its characteristics?

2 A The Oconee Nuclear Station site is on the shore of
3 Lake Keowee now under construction in Oconee County in the
4 northwestern part of South Carolina. Oconee Station will be
5 a part of the Keowee-Toxaway Project which includes two
6 hydroelectric plants now under construction and future
7 thermal and pumped-storage electric generating developments.

8 The station will have a one-mile exclusion radius
9 and will be in an area remote from population centers. All
10 property within the one-mile exclusion radius is under Duke
11 control, either owned, under option, or covered by an
12 easement granting to Duke the control of access and use when
13 necessary. The site is characterized by sound, hard rock
14 foundations for structures; freedom from flooding; an
15 abundant supply of cooling water from Lake Keowee; an on-site
16 hydroelectric station capable of supplying emergency power;
17 and favorable conditions of hydrology, geology, seismology
18 and meteorology. The nearby Keowee hydro plant tailrace
19 offers the unusual capability of providing emergency water
20 flow by gravity through the Oconee condensers. This reliable
21 heat sink is available for rejection of decay heat conveyed
22 by natural circulation in the reactor coolant system and
23 steam driven pumps in the secondary system.

24 Q Will you describe the basic differences between
25 nuclear power plants and conventional fossil-fired plants?

1 A Nuclear power plants are quite similar to the fossil-
2 fired steam plants Duke Power Company is now operating.

3 A fundamental difference is in the fuel source employed to
4 obtain steam to drive the turbines. In a nuclear plant the
5 fuel source is uranium dioxide pellets clad in metal tubes
6 and, in turn, contained within the nuclear reactor. In Duke's
7 conventional plants, coal is used as fuel. Both types of
8 plants have steam generators to produce the steam to drive
9 the turbines which, in turn, drive the electric generators.

10 Q Will you please describe the experience of Duke
11 Power Company in the design and construction of fossil-
12 fired steam plants and hydroelectric plants?

13 A Duke Power has been designing and constructing
14 fossil-fired thermal plants and hydroelectric plants for
15 63 years. In operation are 36 steam units with a capacity of
16 4,041,010 kw and 30 hydroelectric plants with a capacity of
17 983,590 kw. Duke did planning and feasibility studies,
18 detail engineering design, construction, testing and start-
19 up for all these steam plants and the major hydro plants.
20 Our steam plants are recognized in the utility industry for
21 their low capital cost and high thermal efficiency. In
22 1966, one of the Duke plants had the lowest station heat
23 rate of any in the country, making it the nation's most
24 efficient generating station.

25 Under construction are two coal-fired steam

1 units with a capacity of 1,364,000 kw, five gas turbine peaking
2 units with a capacity of 160,000 kw and the Keowee hydro-
3 electric plant with a capacity of 140,000 kw. In addition,
4 the Jocassee hydroelectric and pumped-storage plant is in
5 design and preliminary construction phases and will have a
6 capacity of 610,000 kw.

7 Q What experience have Duke Power's officers and
8 employees had with nuclear technology?

9 A Duke Power Company's experience with nuclear
10 technology began in 1953 when Mr. E. C. Fiss, who will testify
11 later in this hearing, was assigned to Knolls Atomic Power
12 Laboratory as an industrial consultant. Since that time
13 many of its officers, engineers and employees have become
14 experienced in nuclear technology by participating in
15 familiarization courses which were conducted in 1955 and
16 again in 1966 by Duke Power Company specifically for its
17 own employees.

18 Duke also has been an active participant in the
19 Carolinas-Virginia Nuclear Power Associates project which
20 resulted in the design, construction and operation of the
21 Carolinas-Virginia Tube Reactor. Carolinas-Virginia Nuclear
22 Power Associates was organized in 1956. Duke Power has
23 actively participated in the management, operational and
24 technical levels of CVNPA, as will be more fully described
25 by Mr. Fiss.

1 Q You have stated that the reactors for the Oconee
2 Station will be supplied by the Babcock and Wilcox Company.
3 Will you describe the design and construction responsi-
4 bilities, respectively, of Duke Power Company and the
5 Babcock and Wilcox Company?

6 A Duke Power Company will be responsible for the
7 design, purchasing, construction, testing and operation of the
8 Oconee Station, a practice successfully followed for all of
9 the company's major generating facilities now in service or
10 planned. Duke's Engineering Department has the responsibility
11 for specification of materials and equipment, design of
12 structures and systems and preparation of drawings. Pro-
13 curement is the responsibility of Duke's Purchasing
14 Department. Duke's Construction Department has the
15 responsibility for all site construction activities.

16 Duke has contracted with the Babcock and Wilcox
17 Company to design, manufacture and deliver to the site three
18 complete nuclear steam supply systems, fuel, and associated
19 engineered safeguards systems. In addition, Babcock and
20 Wilcox will supply competent technical and professional
21 supervision of erection, of initial fuel loading, of
22 testing and initial start-up of the complete nuclear steam
23 supply system with coordination, scheduling and administra-
24 tive direction by Duke.

25 Babcock and Wilcox has been engaged in the

1 manufacture of steam generating equipment for 100 years.
2 They supplied the fuel and nuclear steam supply system for
3 Unit No. 1 of Indian Point Station and for the Nuclear
4 Ship Savannah. In addition, they have had extensive experience
5 in research and test reactors and have supplied large amounts
6 of fuel and equipment to the nuclear navy.

7 Q Has Duke Power employed independent consultants
8 to render advice and assistance during the planning phases?
9 If so, please identify them and describe their assignments.

10 Q Independent consultants have been engaged to assist
11 in the planning and design phases of Oconee. The Bechtel
12 Corporation has been retained to render general consulting
13 services throughout design and construction, and to perform
14 the design of the prestressed concrete reactor buildings.
15 Bechtel has had extensive experience in nuclear technology,
16 and has successfully provided engineering and construction
17 services for many of the world's nuclear power stations.

18 Additional consultants retained include Professor
19 George F. Sowers of Georgia Tech and Law Engineering
20 Testing Company as consultants on foundations and dam
21 design; William V. Conn, U. S. Corps of Engineers District
22 Geologist of Atlanta, Georgia, as geologist; Dames and Moore
23 as seismology and meteorology consultant; and C. C. Cullum
24 of Chas. T. Main, Inc., as dam design consultant. Duke
25 retains full responsibility for the complete safety and

1 adequacy of the station.

2 Q Mr. Lee, under present regulations, and Applicant
3 for a construction permit and operating license is required
4 to provide protection against radioactive hazards to the public.
5 Will you summarize what measures will be employed to fulfill
6 this requirement and what engineered safeguards are provided
7 in the design of the plant to assure its safety to the public?

8 A The Oconee Nuclear Station is being designed to
9 rigid codes and safety standards to assure reliable safe
10 operation without adverse effect on the environment. It is
11 vitally important to the public and To Duke Power Company
12 that this station operate safely to supply reliable
13 electrical power to the Piedmont Carolinas. Thus we will
14 make every effort possible to assure that the design, the
15 manufacturing of equipment, the construction and the operation
16 of the station meet the highest safety standards.

17 However, in the unlikely event that an accident
18 should occur, the Oconee Nuclear Station is designed to
19 withstand without hazard to the public any credible failure up
20 to and including the complete severance of the largest
21 reactor coolant pipe in the nuclear system. In our design,
22 protection is provided to the public in case of such an
23 eventuality, as well as of less severe accidents, by the
24 following engineered safeguards:

- 25 1. Systems which inject borated water directly

1 into the reactor vessel, thereby cooling the core and limiting
2 any damage to the reactor fuel. These systems include high
3 pressure injection, low pressure injection and core flooding
4 tanks.

5 2. Two separate and redundant reactor building
6 emergency cooling systems designed to cool gases and condense
7 steam that might be introduced into the building if
8 an accident should occur. These systems will limit the
9 building pressure to less than its design pressure and
10 soon return the pressure to near normal.

11 3. The reactor building containment which is
12 designed to safely contain the pressure from complete
13 rupture of the largest pipe.

14 4. A penetration room ventilation system which will
15 filter any leakage from the reactor building penetrations.
16 Each of these safeguard systems includes redundant
17 components and conservative design margins to assure their
18 functioning as intended. Completely separate and inde-
19 pendent safeguards systems are included with each of
20 Oconee's three reactor units. This series of engineered
21 safety systems will effectively protect the public from any
22 credible accident in the Oconee Nuclear Station.

23 Q The application in this case covers three nuclear
24 generating units. Will you describe to what extent, if any,
25 they will be integrated or coordinated?

1 A The design, construction and operation of the
2 three Oconee units will be fully coordinated to achieve
3 maximum safety and reliability. These units are physically
4 independent to the extent that the operation of one unit will
5 not adversely affect the remaining units under either normal
6 or emergency conditions. In some cases, facilities are shared
7 among units but always in such a way as to maintain the
8 necessary independence. Examples of shared facilities are
9 spent fuel storage, waste disposal facilities, service water
10 supply, and compressed air systems. In other cases, such
11 as emergency power, each unit serves to mutually reinforce
12 the other units in the plant when necessary.

13 Q In its letter of July 11, 1967, to the Atomic
14 Energy Commission, the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safe-
15 guards recommended several matters for additional study,
16 and concluded that these matters could be resolved by
17 Duke and the Regulatory Staff during construction. Have
18 any of the matters so cited already been resolved with the
19 Regulatory Staff?

20 A Yes. We originally proposed comprehensive quality
21 control and inspection procedures to insure the integrity of
22 the welds in the steel liner plate in each reactor building,
23 these procedures being more extensive than the requirements of
24 the applicable codes. The ACRS letter suggested that
25 consideration be given to improved inspection of welds in the

1 steel liner. We and our consultants have thoroughly reviewed
2 this and have agreed with the Regulatory Staff to double the
3 amount of non-destructive testing over that previously
4 proposed. This means that 20 percent of the welds will be
5 non-destructively tested, instead of 10 percent, and 2
6 percent of the total will be by radiography. This is in
7 addition to the several other procedures included in the
8 inspection and test program which remain unchanged.

9 Q Have you communicated to the appropriate authorities
10 of the State of South Carolina and Oconee County your in-
11 tention to construct and operate the Oconee Plant?

12 A Yes. We have served copies of all material filed
13 with the Atomic Energy Commission on Mr. Reese A. Hubbard,
14 County Supervisor of Oconee County. In addition, we have
15 communicated our intention to the Governor of the State of
16 South Carolina, to its Development Board, to its Public
17 Service Commission, to its State Health Department, and to
18 numerous other state and local officials. Various agencies
19 of the Federal Government have also been kept advised of our
20 plans. We have also undertaken, through our Public Relations
21 Department, to keep the public informed as to our plans.
22 This has been done through well-publicized announcement
23 meetings, ground breaking ceremonies, periodic press releases
24 and talks to civic clubs and other interested groups.

25 Q Mr. Lee, bearing in mind that the ultimate

responsibility for the safety of the Oconee Nuclear Station rests with Duke Power Company, have you satisfied yourself, as an officer of the company and as its principal engineer, that the Oconee Nuclear Station can be constructed without undue risk to the health and safety of the public, and that is construction would not be inimical to the common defense and security of the United States?

Q Yes, I have.

1 Q At the pre-hearing conference the Chairman of
2 this Atomic and Safety Licensing Board requested you make
3 a statement at the hearing identifying significant safety
4 matters in connection with the application. Is there any-
5 thing in that regard that you would care to add to the
6 testimony which you have just given?

7 A Not at this time, sir. I believe my testimony
8 gives the highlights of those significant safety matters.
9 I think the partial summary to be introduced shortly will
10 amplify on those same highlights.

11 MR. GRIGG: Mr. Chairman, th's concludes Mr. Lee's
12 direct testimony. He is available at this point for
13 questions from the Board and for cross-examination.

14 I would also point out that he is a member of
15 our panel and will be available at that time for questions
16 and it may be that the Board and parties would care to
17 defer their questioning until that point.

18 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Very well. Let us inquire.

19 Does the staff desire to interrogate this witness
20 at this time?

21 MR. ENGELHARDT: Staff has no cross-examination
22 questions of this witness.

23 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: State of South Carolina?

24 MR. LIGHTSEY: No.

25 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Intervenors?

1 MR. REEDER: Mr. Chairman, we have a few
2 preliminary questions for Mr. Lee, but we would like to
3 defer decision as to whether we have further cross-
4 examination until after we have had a chance to read his
5 testimony. We may not have to question him on the matter
6 of jurisdiction at all, but I would like to reserve that
7 right in order not to be precluded.

8 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: You desire to interrogate now?

9 MR. REEDER: I have a few preliminary questions
10 which I would like to ask Mr. Lee bearing on the question
11 of jurisdiction.

12 MR. GRIGG: I am sorry, I didn't hear that.

13 MR. REEDER: A few preliminary questions which
14 I would like to ask Mr. Lee bearing on the question of
15 jurisdiction and relating only to developing information
16 and not to anything that might be called serious cross-
17 examination.

18 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Proceed.

X 19 CROSS-EXAMINATION

20 BY MR. REEDER:

21 Q Mr. Lee, directing your attention to the
22 application of Duke Power Company and Dockets 50,259 and
23 50,270, particularly the part entitled Duke Power Company
24 Oconee Nuclear Station Units 1 and 2 Preliminary Safety
25 Analysis Report Volume 1, which was incorporated in the

1 reply of the joint petitioners to the answers of Duke and
2 the AEC Regulatory Staff opposing the joint petition for
3 leave to intervene and referring to page -- referring to
4 paragraph 1.1 of that supplement to the application --

5 A Yes, sir.

6 Q Do you have that before you, sir?

7 A Yes, I do.

8 Q Running down the page there to the third full
9 paragraph, first sentence, you find the statement "The
10 nuclear steam supply system is a pressurized water
11 reactor type similar to systems operating or under
12 construction." Is that a correct reading of the supplement
13 to the application?

14 A Yes, sir, that is a correct reading. It is
15 similar in concept, but not in size.

16 Q I direct your attention to page 3 of Appendix A
17 to the reply of the joint petitioner to which I referred,
18 which is paragraph 1.3 of the Supplement 1 to the
19 application headed "Tabular Characteristics," and I direct
20 your attention to the first sentence in that statement
21 which reads as follows: "Table 1-2 is a comparative list
22 of important design and operating characteristics of Duke's
23 Oconee Nuclear Station Units 1 and 2, Turkey Point Units 3
24 and 4 (Florida Power and Light Company), Indian Point
25 Station Unit 2 (Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.),

and Brookwood (Rochester Gas and Electric Company) Nuclear Power Stations. These stations have design and operating parameters close to those of the Duke facility." Is that a correct reading, Mr. Lee?

A That is a correct reading, yes, sir.

Q Referring to the first of those pressurized water type stations, Turkey Point Units 3 and 4, Florida Power and Light Company's stations, is that the same station for which licenses were applied in AEC Docket 52,50 and 52,51?

A I don't happen to know the docket numbers, Mr. Reeder.

Q Well, Mr. Lee, I mentioned that only for identification purposes. Those numbers were given to me yesterday by Mr. Stanley T. Robertson of the AEC staff, and I believe them to be correct. I merely mentioned them to help identify the station. Do you know whether any license has been granted for Turkey Point Units 3 and 4 as of today?

A It is my understanding, Mr. Reeder, that Turkey Point Units 3 and 4 have been issued a provisional construction permit.

Q Do you know approximately when that was done?

A It was done in the late spring of this year, after which there was some litigation of one sort or another, and I am not sure exactly when it became final, and they were authorized to begin construction.

Q Thank you, sir. Do you know the approximate

1 capacity and megawatts electrical of Florida Power and
2 Light's Turkey Point Unit 3?

3 A If you will excuse me one moment, I may have
4 it here.

5 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: While there is a pause, I
6 wonder if I could direct this question to applicant's
7 counsel. Would it be possible for you to confer with
8 Mr. Reeder if he has questions of that and a similar
9 kind respecting the other reactors to arrive at a
10 stipulation based upon the official records? I don't
11 think this witness' knowledge necessarily, without
12 records available to him, would permit him to be precise
13 on some of these items, and I wondered if some of these
14 statistical matters could be considered among counsel,
15 including regulatory staff counsel who might be able to
16 provide the precise capacities and dates and so forth.

17 MR. REEDER: I am not trying to test Mr. Lee's
18 memory. I merely want to bring out a few facts for
19 preliminary information about these stations, and I have
20 here before me the document entitled "Major Activities in
21 the Atomic Energy Programs, January-December 1966," a
22 publication of the United States Atomic Energy Commission
23 dated January 1967. I would be glad to show this to Mr.
24 Lee for purposes of refreshing his memory.

25 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: First show it, if you will, to

1 applicant's counsel and let him satisfy himself as to the
2 authenticity of the document. He may stipulate on the
3 statistics to which you refer and it might expedite the
4 presentation of evidence.

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1 MR. GRIGG: I think we could stipulate that this
2 document was shown to us and that it contained certain information.
3 We would not want to stipulate as to the relevance of this
4 material.

5 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: All I ask is the accuracy of the
6 statement for the moment.

7 MR. GRIGG: I would not want to stipulate to that
8 either, at this point, because I frankly don't know the accuracy
9 of those statements, and I don't believe Mr. Lee does.

10 MR. LEE: I am prepared to answer Mr. Reeder's
11 question provided we understand what he means by "about." The
12 capacity of the Turkey --

13 MR. REEDER: That is all I want.

14 MR. LEE: The capacity of the Turkey Point in its
15 initial operation is about 700 megawatts electric each.

16 MR. REEDER: Thank you, Mr. Lee. Mr. Lee, directing
17 your attention to the Consolidated Edison Company of New York's
18 Indian Point Station Unit 2, which is referred to in your supple-
19 ment 1 to the application on paragraph 1.3 under the heading
20 "Tabular Characteristics," I will ask you whether that station
21 also is a station for which a construction permit was issued
22 by the Atomic Energy Commission before your application was
23 filed in Dockets 50-269 and 50-270.

24 MR. LEE: I can't certify to the dockets. I cannot
25 certify to the date of the issuance of the construction permit.

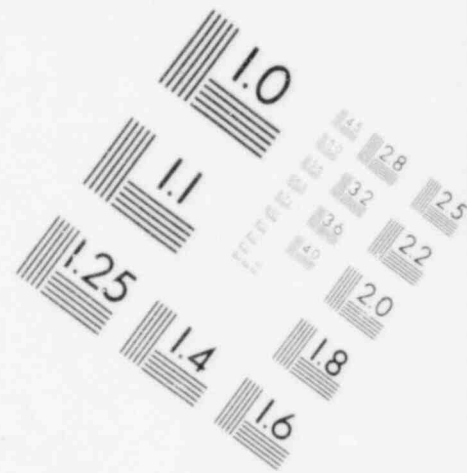
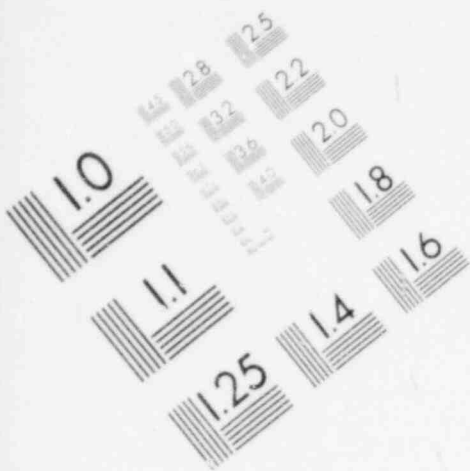
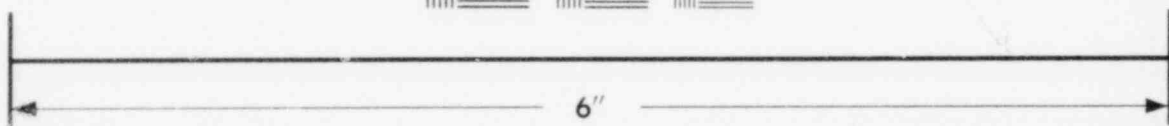
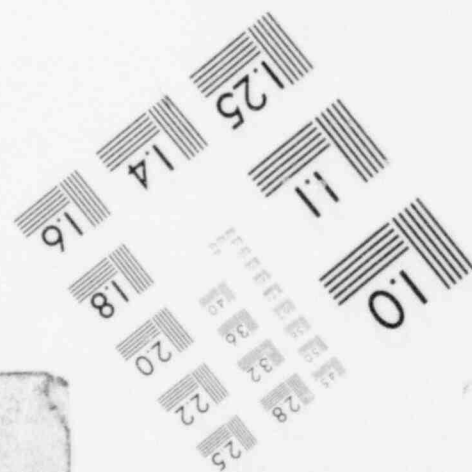
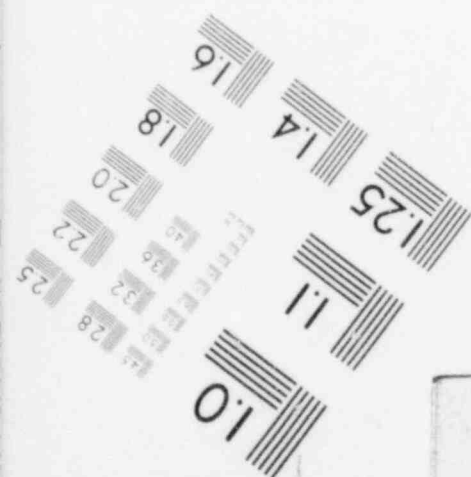


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or2 1 But I do know it was in the fall, around the fall of 1966 or
2 late 1966.

3 MR. REEDER: It was before your application was filed?

4 MR. LEE: I can't certify as to whether it was before
5 December 1 or not, Mr. Reeder.

6 MR. REEDER: Mr. --

7 MR. LEE: I don't have that knowledge, I am sorry.

8 MR. REEDER: Mr. Lee, I don't profess any knowledge
9 of that kind, either, but this document, "Major Activities in
10 the Atomic Engineering Programs," does show that the Indian
11 Point Station of ConEd, Unit 2 at Indian Point, New York, did
12 receive a construction permit on 10-14-1966, which would be
13 October 14, 1966, is that not correct?

14 MR. LEE: Yes, sir.

15 MR. REEDER: And your application was dated December
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17 MR. LEE: Correct.

18 MR. REEDER: And is it correct to say that the capacity
19 in net megawatts electrical of ConEd's Indian Point Station Unit
20 2 was approximately 873 megawatts electrical?

21 MR. LEE: About 875 to 900 megawatts electrical,
22 depending on whether you talk about initial power or net or
23 gross or what not.

24 MR. REEDER: Thank you, Mr. Lee. Now, directing
25 your attention to the Brookwood Station of the Rochester Gas

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1 and Electric Company, another pressurized water type nuclear
2 station referred to in supplement 1 of the application of Duke
3 Power Company in this proceeding, am I correct in understanding
4 that that is the facility which is now known as the Robert
5 Emmett Ginna Nuclear Power Plant of the Rochester Gas and
6 Electric Company?

7 MR. LEE: Yes, sir. It's known as the Ginna plant.

8 MR. REEDER: Ginna plant. Thank you.

9 Is it not true that that is a nuclear station of the
10 pressurized water type of reactor of approximately 420 megawatts
11 electrical?

12 MR. LEE: Yes, sir, that is approximately so.

13 MR. GRIGG: Mr. Chairman, we object to this line of
14 questioning for the reason that it's outside of the scope of
15 Mr. Lee's direct testimony. It's irrelevant to these proceed-
16 ings, and it's outside of the issues prescribed by this hearing
17 Board to be before the Board at this time.

18 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Perhaps we should inquire who will
19 sponsor the documents presented by the applicant. That is,
20 the application and the amendments. What officer of the
21 company will take the responsibility for the engineering
22 statement therein?

23 MR. GRIGG: Mr. Lee, who is now on the stand.

24 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: I understood the interpretation was
25 directed to a portion of the application that dealt with these

1 particular reactor stations to which the inquiry has been
2 directed. And if he is supporting the application and its
3 engineering aspects, I would presume he would include the state-
4 ments to which he made reference in the application, would he not?

5 MR. GRIGG: I don't understand the relevance of his
6 questions. Would it be proper to ask if he could state exactly
7 what it is he is trying to elicit? Perhaps we could help him.

8 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Perhaps he is trying to find out how
9 you happen to rely upon the statements in the application and if
10 you will tell him how you happen to rely upon those that might
11 assist him in his examination.

12 MR. GRIGG: The Chairman at one time indicated that
13 perhaps we could stipulate some testimony. Now, I don't know
14 how long Mr. Reeder intends to pursue this line, but we would
15 be happy in the interest of time if we could have a recess.
16 Perhaps Mr. Lee and Mr. Reeder could get together and stipulate
17 something that would greatly facilitate the conduct of the
18 proceeding.

19 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: That sounds like an excellent
20 suggestion. It happens to come at a time convenient for our
21 usual recess, but I don't want to hurry you gentlemen away from
22 this room. We may find ourselves not able to participate with
23 you in your endeavors. Is there any matter we might take up
24 before the endeavor is undertaken to reach a stipulation on
25 these several substantial matters?

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1 MR. REEDER: Mr. Chairman, I was just trying to ask
2 about these three stations or these three nuclear pressurized
3 water reactor stations which I referred to in the application,
4 and supplement No. 1 thereof, for which Mr. Lee takes respons-
5 ibility, and if I can have two or three more questions along
6 this line I will be through with this preliminary questioning.

7 MR. GRIGG: I withdraw my objection, then.

8 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Proceed.

9 BY MR. REEDER:

10 Q Mr. Lee, referring to the Robert Emmett Ginna Nuclear
11 Power Plant Unit 1 of Rochester Gas and Electric Company, is
12 that the station which was -- is that the station for which a
13 construction permit was issued on or about April 25, 1966?

14 A Yes, sir.

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1 Q And I note you state a little further down
2 the page in Paragraph 1.3 that the design of each of these
3 stations -- that is Escanoe Nuclear Stations 1 and 2 --
4 is based upon information developed from operations of
5 commercial and prototype pressurized water reactors over
6 a number of years, unquote. Mr. Lee, are there any other
7 stations that you referred to in that sentence besides
8 the Turkey Point, Indian Point and Brookwood or Ginna
9 Stations?

10 A Yes, sir. There are others similar in concept,
11 not necessarily in size and not necessarily having operated.

12 Q Would you list those for the record, please, Mr. Lee?
13 Those that you recall?

14 A I don't have a comprehensive list, but some of
15 them preceding our application were, for example, Robinson
16 Unit 2 of Carolina Power and Light.

17 Q Would you give the number of megawatts?

18 A About 700 megawatts electric. Then there have
19 been several that followed our application.

20 Q And would you list those, please, sir?

21 A Diablo Canyon Units 1 and 2, I think.

22 Q How do you spell that?

23 A Like Spanish for devil. Diablo.

24 (Laughter.)

25 A (Continuing) Diablo Canyon. Those are about

1 1000 megawatts electric, for which application was filed
2 after our application. There are the two units as now
3 unsited of -- that is, unsited, of Public Service Electric
4 and Gas of New Jersey, which are about the same size, 1000
5 megawatts electric, also pressurized water reactors, and
6 for which application was filed after our application.

7 Q Was that application withdrawn because of
8 objections to the site?

9 A No, sir.

10 Q Was the site changed because of objections to
11 the site?

12 A I understand only what I read in the press, Mr.
13 Reader, that the site is -- a relocation of the site is
14 being studied in view of the feeling of Divisional
15 Reactor Licensing and the ACRS, that there are problems with
16 the site initially proposed.

17 Q What is the meaning of the initials ACRS?

18 A Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, sir.

19 Q Does that complete your list of those that you
20 recall immediately of the stations based on information
21 developed from operation of commercial and prototype
22 pressurized water type reactors over a number of years?

23 A Yes, sir. I think that completes the list that
24 comes to my mind immediately. Yes, sir. There are others,
25 I know.

1 Q The Peaks Bottom Atomic Power Station Units 2
 2 and 3 at Peaks Bottom, Pennsylvania, is that a pressurized
 3 water type?

4 A No, sir.

5 Q Did you mention in connection with the other
 6 stations in your last answer the Sanonovra Nuclear
 7 Generating Station of Southern California Edison?

8 A No, sir, I didn't.

9 Q Is that a pressurized water type reactor?

10 A Yes, sir, of an earlier vintage.

11 Q And that is 430 megawatt capacity?

12 A That is ballpark, yes, sir.

13 Q And are there any of these commercial pressurized
 14 water reactors now operating to which you referred in your
 15 Application Supplement 1, Paragraph 1.3, which are now
 16 operating or which have become operating since you filed
 17 your application on December 1, 1966?

18 MR. GRIGG: We object to the use of the word
 19 "commercial" in that question unless Mr. Reeder will define
 20 it.

21 MR. REEDER: Well, perhaps Mr. Lee will define
 22 the word "commercial" as he used it in Supplement No. 1,
 23 Paragraph 1.3 in the following sentence: "The design of
 24 each of these stations is based upon information developed
 25 from operation of commercial and prototype pressurized

1 water reactors over a number of years."

2 BY MR. REEDER:

3 Q Would you do that, please?

4 A I had in mind that the use of the word "commercial"
5 would mean a plant that would make electricity that would be
6 for sale. Now, to answer your first question, then, no, sir,
7 none of those reactors cited in Section 1.3 nor that are
8 listed are in operation, nor were they in operation at the
9 time we had filed our application.

10 Q Did you have in mind any element of sale for
11 profit when you used the word "commercial" in that sentence?

12 A I can't speak to all of those reactors we have just
13 discussed. I am not familiar with their individual economics
14 nor their exact intent with respect to profitability.

15 Q Well, with respect to the stations about which
16 I have asked you and which were referred to in your
17 Supplement 1, Paragraph 1.3, which were Duke's Oconee
18 Station Units 1 and 2, Turkey Point Units 3 and 4, Indian
19 Point Unit 2 and Brookwood of Rochester Gas and Electric
20 Nuclear Power Stations, were those stations which you
21 referred to in the sentence that the design of each of
22 these stations is based upon information developed from
23 operation of commercial and prototype pressurized water
24 reactors over a number of years?

25 A No, sir, because none of those stations have operated.

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1 Q Well, Mr. Lee, is it not a fact that those stations
2 are referred to in your supplement No. 1 to the application as
3 the stations which have design and operating parameters close
4 to those of the Luke facility?

5 A Yes, sir. I might insert the word "expected" operating
6 parameters. None of these have operated, Mr. Reeder.

7 Q Do you mean, then, that these stations, Turkey Point,
8 Indian Point, and Ginna may have reactors which are commercial
9 and prototype pressurized water reactors?

10 A I don't know what now you mean applying to those
11 stations by the terms "commercial" and "prototype," Mr.
12 Reeder. The sentence at the end of the first paragraph of
13 Section 1.3 means that the technical parameters applying to
14 the design of the reactor systems and the expected operating
15 parameters of the Oconee stations are expected to be similar
16 to those expected from these other stations not yet running.

17 Q And you called those stations commercial stations?

18 A No. Down in the third paragraph that phraseology
19 "commercial" and "prototype" pressurized water reactors referred
20 to previous generations of nuclear power plants already running
21 and not listed here. For example, the Parr Nuclear Station
22 is a commercial and prototype pressurized water reactor.

23 Q Is it your testimony, then, Mr. Lee, that the Turkey
24 Point Units 3 and 4, Con Edison's Indian Point Station Unit 2,
25 and Brookwood Rochester Gas and Electric Nuclear Power Stations

or2 1 having megawatt electrical capacity of 722, 722, 873, and 420
2 megawatts electrical, respectively, were referred to by you
3 in this sentence as stations which were prototypes and not
4 commercial stations?

5 A No, sir.

6 Q And, directing your attention then to --

7 A I think I understood your question, Mr. Reeder. I
8 am saying that the third paragraph, where we say, if I may
9 read it now: "The design of each of these stations," and
10 "each of these" refers to the four that we are talking about,
11 "is based upon information developed from operation of commercial
12 and prototype pressurized water reactors over a number of
13 years."

14 "Commercial" and "prototype" pressurized water reactors
15 refers to those previous to these four stations, many years
16 back of the earlier vintage of this animal of which the Parr
17 Nuclear Station is an example, the Shippingport Nuclear Station
18 cited earlier today is an example.

19 Q Mr. Lee, directing your attention -- I am sorry,
20 my last question. Directing your attention to the sentence
21 in application supplement, paragraph 1.1, introduction,
22 which reads as follows: "Construction is scheduled for com-
23 pletion in time for loading fuel into Unit 1 in December 1970
24 and for its commercial operation by May 1971, with commercial
25 operation of Unit 2 scheduled by May 1972," were you using

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the word "commercial operation" there in reference to mere prototype stations?

A No, sir. As I defined "commercial" in the previous question, I said "commercial" means electricity for sale.

MR. REEDER: That is all I have at this time.

CHAIRMAN JENSCH: This is somewhat beyond our usual recess time, but are there any matters that we might consider before we recess this evening?

State of South Carolina?

MR. LIGHTSEY: Mr. Chairman, if I might ask, unfortunately I am scheduled for a court appearance in another part of the State tomorrow, and I would like to ask the Chairman if I might be excused during the morning proceeding and if you are still in session beyond them, I will be back with you at a later time.

CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Request granted. Any other matter that might be considered? Staff counsel?

MR. ENGELHARDT: No, sir.

CHAIRMAN JENSCH: Applicant counsel?

MR. GRIGG: None.

CHAIRMAN JENSCH: At this time perhaps we might consider a convenient time for convening in the morning. We met at 10:00. Is some earlier hour convenient or advisable? What are the wishes of the parties?

MR. GRIGG: Convenient and advisable.

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1 MR. ENGELHARDT: The staff is agreeable to an earlier
2 hour than meeting at 10:00.

3 MR. REEDER: Satisfactory to us.

4 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: What time would be suitable?

5 MR. REEDER: The same time mentioned by staff counsel.

6 CHAIRMAN JENSCH: He just said any earlier time, and
7 that starts a little earlier than I want to get here, I think.
8 At this time let's recess, to reconvene in this room tomorrow
9 morning at 9:30.

10 (Whereupon, at 4:40 o'clock p. m., the hearing was
11 recessed, to reconvene the following morning, Wednesday, August
12 30, 1967, at 9:30 o'clock a. m.)

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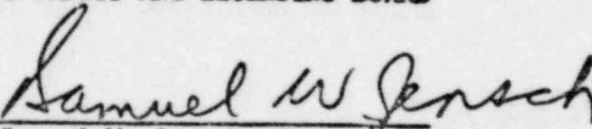
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