

U. S. ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION OF ISSUANCE OF FACILITY OPERATING LICENSES
AND NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING PURSUANT TO 10 CFR PART 50
APPENDIX D, SECTION C

DUKE POWER COMPANY
(Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 2 and 3)

Docket Nos. 50-270 and 50-287

The Atomic Energy Commission is considering the issuance of licenses to the Duke Power Company (the licensee) to operate the Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 2 and 3, now under construction in Oconee County, South Carolina. A notice of consideration of issuance has been forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication on or about August 11, 1972.

Within thirty (30) days after publication of the notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding may file a request for a hearing or leave to intervene (1) with respect to whether, considering those matters covered by Appendix D to 10 CFR Part 50 of the Commission's regulations, the provisional construction permits should be continued, modified, terminated, or appropriately conditioned to protect environmental values; and (2) with respect to the issuance of the facility operating licenses.

Requests for a hearing and petitions for leave to intervene should be addressed to the Office of the Secretary, U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, Washington, D. C. 20545, Attention: Chief, Public Proceedings Branch.

If requests for a hearing or petitions for leave to intervene are filed within the thirty (30) day period, the Commission will issue a notice of hearing or an appropriate order. Any person who wishes to make an oral or written statement setting forth his position may request permission to make a limited appearance. Limited appearances will be granted at the time of the hearing to be conducted by the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board. Any person whose interest may be affected by the proceeding who wishes to participate as a party must file a petition for leave to intervene. The petition should state the person's interest in the proceedings, how it may be affected by the proposed licensing action, and the person's contentions, in some detail.

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A person permitted to intervene becomes a party to the proceeding, and has all the rights of the applicant and the AEC regulatory staff to participate fully in the conduct of the hearing. For example, he may examine and cross-examine witnesses. A person making a limited appearance does not become a party but may state his position and raise questions which he would like to have answered to the extent that the questions are within the scope of the hearing.

For further details pertinent to the matters under consideration, see the application for the facility operating licenses dated May 29, 1969, as amended, and the licensee's Environmental Report dated July 10, 1970, the Supplemental Environmental Report dated October 18, 1971, Revision No. 1 thereto dated November 2, 1971, and the Commission's Final Environmental Statement dated March 1972, for the Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3, pursuant to 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix D. A notice of availability of the Final Environmental Statement, which is final only with respect to Unit 1, was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on April 1, 1972, 37 F.R. 6702. The above documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., and at the Oconee County Library, 201 S. Spring Street, Walhalla, South Carolina. As they become available, the following documents also will be available at the above locations: (1) the report of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards on the application for facility operating licenses for the Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 2 and 3, (2) the Safety Evaluation prepared by the Directorate of Licensing, (3) the proposed facility operating licenses, and (4) the Technical Specifications, which will be attached as Appendix A to the proposed facility operating licenses.

Copies of the Commission's Final Environmental Statement pursuant to 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix D, and items (1), (2), and (3) may be obtained by request to the United States Atomic Energy Commission, Washington, D. C. 20545, Attention: Deputy Director for Reactor Projects, Directorate of Licensing.