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POTENTIAL LICENSING DELAY FOR OCONEE

Recent use of new computer codes, primarily developed by Westinghouse, indicates less conservative maximum fuel temperatures following a loss of coolant accident than previously have been calculated. This subject is being pursued vigorously with Westinghouse through special ACRS subcommittee meetings and is a factor in our Indian Point #2 review.

The same problem undoubtedly exists for the B&W design of PWR's. To understand it better we have requested additional information from Duke in the context of the Oconee operating license review. The preparation and submittal of satisfactory information from Duke (supplied by B&W) may preclude meeting our schedule of finishing our review in time for August and September ACRS meetings. Details of this problem are described in the attached memo.

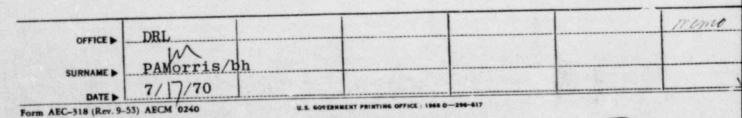
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