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DOCKET NO. 70-824

Babcock & Wilcox Company ATTN: Mr. Arne F. Olsen License Admiristrator Research & Development Division P.O. Box 1260 Lynchburg, Virginia 24505

Gentlemen:

This refers to your December 5, 1979 request for route approval for the shipment of spent fuel assemblies from the Lynchburg Research Center to Duke's Oconee Nuclear Power Station.

We have determined that the review of licensee route approval requests is subject to the Commission's license fee schedule in 10 CFR 170. For materials licenses, fees for the review of route approval requests will be assessed under Category 13 of Section 170.31, as special projects. In accordance with Footnote 8 of Section 170.31, the charge for the review would be determined by the Commission based on the professional manpower required to conduct the review. In determining the fee to be charged, only actual staff time expended in the review of the route request is used to calculate the fee; the route (field) survey conducted by the NRC staff is excluded from fee computation.

The review of your request for route approval was completed March 12, 1980 (copy enclosed). The cost of the review amounted to \$817 (21.5 man-hrs. @ \$38/man-hr.). We have notified the NRC Office of the Controller to issue your Company an invoice for the fee.

We apologize for the delay in notifying you of the fee requirement for route approval reviews. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please let us know.

Sincerely.

W.O. Miller

William O. Miller, Chief License Fee Management Branch Office of Administration

Enclosures: 1. Ltr dtd 3/12/80 2. 10 CFR 170

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