

UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

DUKE POWER COMPANY

DOCKET NO. 50-287

OCONEE NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 3

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 14
License No. DPR-55

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by Duke Power Company (the licensee) dated September 12, 1975, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations; and
 - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.
2. Accordingly, the license is amended by a change to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment and Paragraph 3.B of Facility License No. DPR-55 is hereby amended to read as follows:



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"B. Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendices A and B, as revised, are hereby incorporated in the license. The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications, as revised by issued changes thereto through Change "No. 14."

3. This license amendment is effective as of the date of issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Original Signed by
Karl Goller

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Division of Reactor Licensing

Attachment:
Change No. 14 to the
Technical Specifications

Date of Issuance: DEC 22 1975

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENTS

AMENDMENT NO. 17 TO FACILITY LICENSE NO. DPR-38
CHANGE NO. 27 TO TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS;

AMENDMENT NO. 17 TO FACILITY LICENSE NO. DPR-47
CHANGE NO. 22 TO TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS;

AMENDMENT NO. 14 TO FACILITY LICENSE NO. DPR-55
CHANGE NO. 14 TO TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

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Revise Appendix A as follows:

Remove pages 5.4-1 and 5.4-1a and insert identically numbered pages.

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5.4 NEW AND SPENT FUEL STORAGE FACILITIES

Specification

5.4.1 New Fuel Storage

5.4.1.1 New fuel will normally be stored in the spent fuel pool serving the respective unit.

In the spent fuel pool serving Units 1 and 2, the fuel assemblies are stored in racks in parallel rows, having a nominal center-to-center distance of 21 inches in both directions. This spacing is sufficient to maintain a K effective of less than 0.9 when flooded with unborated water, based on fuel with an enrichment of 3.5 weight percent U²³⁵.

In the spent fuel pool serving Unit 3, the fuel assemblies are stored in racks consisting of stainless steel cavities which maintain a minimum edge-to-edge spacing of 3.95 inches between adjacent fuel assemblies. The neutron poisoning effect of the storage cavity material combined with the minimum 3.95 inches edge-to-edge spacing between adjacent fuel assemblies is sufficient to maintain a K effective of less than 0.95 when flooded with unborated water, based on fuel with an enrichment of 3.5 weight percent U²³⁵ or the equivalent.

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5.4.1.2 New fuel may also be stored in the fuel transfer canal. The fuel assemblies are stored in five racks in a row having a nominal center-to-center distance of 2' 1 3/4". One rack is oversized to receive a failed fuel assembly container. The other four racks are normal size and are capable of receiving new fuel assemblies.

5.4.1.3 New fuel may also be stored in shipping containers.

5.4.2 Spent Fuel Storage

5.4.2.1 Irradiated fuel assemblies will be stored, prior to offsite shipment, in a stainless steel lined spent fuel pool.

The spent fuel pool serving Units 1 and 2 is sized to accommodate a full core of irradiated fuel assemblies in addition to the concurrent storage of the largest quantity of new and spent fuel assemblies predicted by the fuel management program.

Provisions are made in the Unit 3 spent fuel pool to accommodate up to 474 fuel assemblies.

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5.4.2.2 Whenever there is fuel in the pool (except the initial core loading), the spent fuel pool is filled with water borated to the concentration that is used in the reactor cavity and fuel transfer canal during refueling operations.

5.4.2.3 Spent fuel may also be stored in storage racks in the fuel transfer canal when the canal is at refueling level.

5.4.2.4 The spent fuel pool and fuel transfer canal racks are designed for an earthquake force of 0.1g ground motion.

REFERENCES

FSAR, Section 9.7