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NOTE TO FILES

TELECON WITH MORTON LIBARKIN, SENIOR STAFF ASSISTANCE, ACRS CONCERNING UNPRESSURIZED FUEL FOR OCONEE

I was called by Libarkin and asked if the staff had accepted the fact that the gap conductance is greater for pressurized fuel than for unpressurized fuel as a consequence of the B&W analysis done for Oconee Units 1 and 3.

I could not answer his question so I called Norm Lauben, Reactor Systems Branch, who said that RSB is evaluating its position on the basis of Pacific Northwest work and probably will have its own analysis in about a month. It plans to look at everybody's fuel. Preliminary indications are that gap conductance does increase with pin pressure. I relayed this information to Libarkin.

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