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July 30, 1976

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Mr. Benard C. Rusche
Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555

Re: Oconee Nuclear Station
Docket Nos. 50-269, -270, -287

Dear Mr. Rusche:

Pursuant to 10CFR50, §50.90, an amendment to Section 3.9 of the Oconee Nuclear Station Technical Specifications, Appendix A to Facility Operating Licenses DPR-38, -47, -55 is requested. Proposed replacement pages for Technical Specification 3.9.7 are attached.

The proposed change to Technical Specification 3.9.7 provides provisions for implementing alternate measures to assure that release limits for liquid waste effluents are not exceeded whenever liquid waste monitors cannot be set to properly alarm and control liquid releases. This provision is considered necessary while efforts are being made to resolve problems with high background which have been experienced in the liquid effluent monitors. These high background readings prevent the setting of these monitors to function as required by Technical Specification 3.9.7.

The alternate proposed measures as stated in the specification change consist of redundant valve line-up checks and redundant sampling/analyses as discussed in our letter of May 14, 1976 submitted as a supplemental response to OIE Inspection Report 50-269/76-2. Currently, a task force is investigating the high background problem associated with the liquid effluent monitors. It is anticipated that this problem will be resolved by December 1, 1976 at which time the additional proposed requirements of Technical Specification 3.9.7 will be deleted.

In the interim, although no accurate alarm setpoint can be determined, liquid effluent monitors RIA-33 and -34 will be utilized to the extent possible to detect liquid effluent release rates.

Very truly yours,

[Handwritten signature of William O. Parker, Jr.]
William O. Parker, Jr.

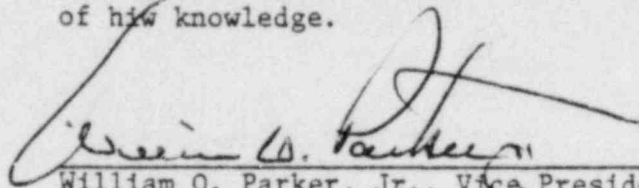
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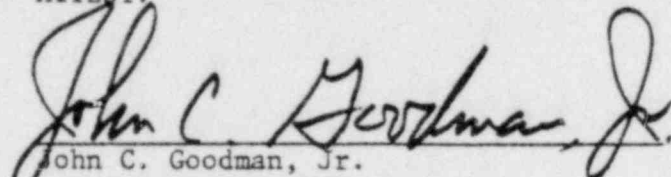
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WILLIAM O. PARKER, JR., being duly sworn, states that he is Vice President of Duke Power Company; that he is authorized on the part of said Company to sign and file with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission this request for amendment of the Oconee Nuclear Station Technical Specifications, Appendix A to Facility Operating Licenses DPR-38, DPR-47 and DPK-55; and that all statements and matters set forth therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge.



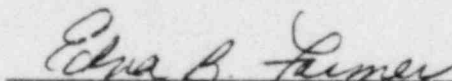
William O. Parker, Jr., Vice President

ATTEST:



John C. Goodman, Jr.
Assistant Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of July, 1976.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

October 24, 1977