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Mr. James P. O'Reilly, Regional Administrator
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Region II
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Re: Oconee Nuclear Station
Docket No. 50-269

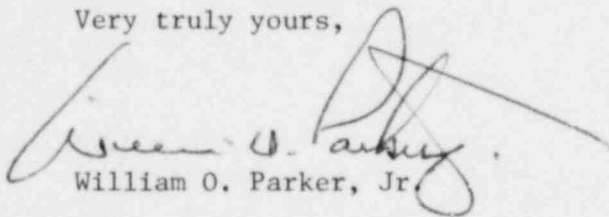


Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

On March 12, 1982 your office was notified of a reportable occurrence involving Westinghouse SA-1 in service at the Keowee Hydro Station. Reportable Occurrence Report RO-269/82-07 providing details of this incident was to have been submitted to you by April 9, 1982. The original determination of reportability was based on identification by Westinghouse that the SA-1 type relays do not meet the full surge withstand requirements of ANSI C37.90 - 1978. However, subsequent review has determined that the design and construction of the Oconee Plant and the Keowee Hydro Stations predate the establishment of this standard.

Duke Power Company has had these relays in service for years in both safety and non-safety applications without any failures attributed to surges. Additionally, the surge withstand requirements of ANSI C37.90 - 1978 were not a design criteria or a regulatory requirement for this application. Hence, it is considered that this occurrence is without safety significance and is not reportable.

Very truly yours,


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