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Subject: Oconee Nuclear Station - Units 1, 2 & 3  
Docket Nos. 50-269, 50-270 and 50-287

McGuire Nuclear Station - Units 1 & 2  
Docket Nos. 50-369 and 50-370

Catawba Nuclear Station - Units 1 & 2  
Docket Nos. 50-413 and 50-414

Request for Relief from the ASME Boiler and  
Pressure Vessel Code, Section XI  
Duke Energy Corporation Serial Number 98-GO-005

TAC Nos. MA3733, MA3734, MA3735, MA3731, MA3732,  
MA3703 and MA3704

In letters to the NRC dated September 29, 1998, April 26, 1999 and September 29, 1999, Duke Energy Corporation submitted Request for Relief 98-GO-005. Since the time of these submittals, this request for relief has been discussed with NRC officials by means of telephone conferences. After considering the NRC comments and the recent NRC rule change (64 FR 51369), Duke has decided this request for relief is no longer needed. Consequently, Duke Energy Corporation hereby withdraws Request for Relief 98-GO-005.

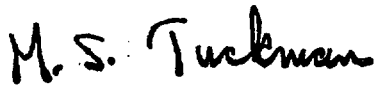
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