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10 CFR 50.54 (f)

U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Subject: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (Duke Energy)
Oconee Nuclear Station (ONS), Units 1, 2 and 3
Docket Nos. 50-269, 50-270, and 50-287
Flooding Walkdown Information Requested by NRC Letter, *Request for Information Pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations 50.54(f) Regarding Recommendations 2.1, 2.3, and 9.3, of the Near-Term Task Force Review of Insights from the Fukushima Dai-ichi Accident*; dated March 12, 2012

Reference:

1. NRC Letter, *Request for Information Pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations 50.54(f) Regarding Recommendations 2.1, 2.3, and 9.3, of the Near-Term Task Force Review of Insights from the Fukushima Dai-ichi Accident*, dated March 12, 2012
2. NEI 12-07, *Guidelines for Performing Verification Walkdowns of Plant Flood Protection Features*, Revision 0-A, dated May 2012

On March 12, 2012, the NRC staff issued a Request for Information in accordance with 10 CFR 50.54 (f) (Reference 1). Enclosure 4 of that document contains specific requests associated with Recommendation 2.3 for Flooding Walkdowns, which required a written response to be submitted within 90 days.

Duke Energy submitted its response on June 8, 2012, which in part, confirmed that Duke Energy would use the NRC endorsed industry guideline, NEI 12-07 (Reference 2), as the basis for performing flooding walkdowns at the Oconee Nuclear Station (ONS). In the June 8, 2012 response, Duke Energy further stated that a report documenting the results of the flooding walkdowns at ONS would be submitted by November 27, 2012.

Enclosure 1 addresses the information requested in Reference 1 regarding the Flooding Walkdown report as outlined in Appendix D of the NRC endorsed guidance, NEI 12-07.

**Enclosure 1 Contains Security Sensitive Information -
Withhold from public disclosure under 10 CFR 2.390(d)(1)
Upon removal of Enclosure 1, this letter is uncontrolled.**

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This letter contains no new regulatory commitments.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, or require additional information, please contact David Haile at (864) 873-4742.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on November 27, 2012

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

1. Flood Walkdown Report - NRC 50.54 (f) NTTF Recommendation 2.3

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