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Attention: Document Control Desk

Subject: Oconee Nuclear Station
Docket Numbers 50-269, 270, and 287
Clarification Regarding Emergency Feedwater Safety
Evaluation Dated June 11, 2002
Oconee UFSAR Section 10.4.7

Duke submitted a proposed revision to the Emergency Feedwater (EFW) licensing basis on June 21, 2000, along with supplements on April 30, 2002, and May 20, 2002. The Staff safety evaluation was issued on June 11, 2002. Duke has reviewed this safety evaluation and it accurately portrays the licensing and design basis of the EFW System. However, as clarification, it appears that some of the times, to perform certain tasks documented in the safety evaluation, reflect actual operator action times from validation exercises as opposed to required times necessary to support the design basis of the system (refer to Tables 1-4 of the safety evaluation). Duke would like to point out that required operator action times are captured in the Udated Final Safety Analysis Report and Oconee's Design Basis Documents.

If you have any questions, please contact Noel Clarkson at (864) 885-3077.

Very truly yours,



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