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Subject: License Renewal
Response to Requests for Additional Information
Oconee Nuclear Station
Docket Nos. 50-269, -270, -287

By letter dated July 6, 1998, Duke Energy Corporation submitted an Application for Renewed Operating Licenses for Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3 (Application). Exhibit A of the Application contains the technical information required by 10 CFR Part 54. The NRC staff is reviewing the information provided by Duke Energy in the Application and by several letters identified areas where additional information is needed to complete its review. Duke responses are provided in three attachments to this letter.

Attachment 1 contains our responses to staff requests for information concerning the structural review of Oconee contained following sections of Exhibit A of the Application: 2.2, 2.3, 2.5, 2.7, 3.2, 3.3, 3.7, 4.8, 4.9, 4.11, 4.12, 4.14, 4.15, 4.16, 4.28, 5.3, and 5.7. Some of these responses contain new commitments or modify commitments previously made in the Application. These commitments are restated in Attachment 4 to facilitate tracking and management. Attachment 5 contains a copy of Drawing Number OLR-1, Oconee Nuclear Station Site Plan, Structures Within Scope of License Renewal.

Attachment 2 contains our responses to staff requests for information concerning the mechanical review of Oconee contained following sections of Exhibit A of the Application: 2.5, 3.5, 4.5, 4.9, 4.16, 4.17, and 4.23. Some of these responses contain new commitments or modify commitments previously made in the Application. These commitments are restated in Attachment 4 to facilitate tracking and management.

Attachment 3 contains our responses to staff requests for information concerning the environmental qualification review of electrical equipment contained in Section 5.6 of Exhibit A of the Application. None of these responses contains any new commitments.

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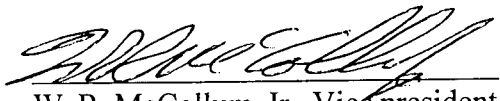
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Very Truly Yours,

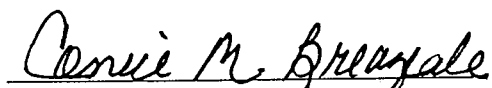
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W. R. McCollum, Jr., Site Vice President
Oconee Nuclear Station

W. R. McCollum, Jr., being duly sworn, states that he is Vice President, Oconee Nuclear Station, Duke Energy Corporation, that he is authorized on the part of said Company to sign and file with the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission these responses to NRC requests for additional information concerning the Application to Renew the Facility Operating Licenses of Oconee Nuclear Station submitted by letter dated July 6, 1998; and that all statements and matters set forth herein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief. To the extent that these statements are not based on his personal knowledge, they are based on information provided by Duke employees and/or consultants. Such information has been reviewed in accordance with Duke Energy Corporation practice and is believed to be reliable.


W. R. McCollum, Jr., Vice president
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of February 1999.


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