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Subject: Oconee Nuclear Station  
Docket Numbers 50-269, 270, and 287  
Request for Technical Specification Amendment for  
Keowee Voltage and Frequency Protection  
Modification  
Technical Specification Change (TSC) Number 99-07

Pursuant to Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 50, Section 90 (10 CFR 50.90), Duke Energy proposes to amend Appendix A, Technical Specifications, for Facility Operating Licenses DPR-38, DPR-47 and DPR-55 for Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3. The proposed change adds a Surveillance Requirement to verify the Keowee out of tolerance logic trips and blocks closure of the appropriate overhead or underground power path breakers. This logic is being added as part of a modification to provide voltage and frequency protection for the Keowee Hydro Units, which in turn protects the Oconee Units from being exposed to out of tolerance voltage or frequency.

The revised Technical Specification pages are included in Attachment 1. Attachment 2 contains the markup of the current Technical Specification pages. The Technical Justification for the amendment request is included in Attachment 3. Attachments 4 and 5 contain the No Significant Hazards Consideration Evaluation and the Environmental Impact Analysis, respectively.

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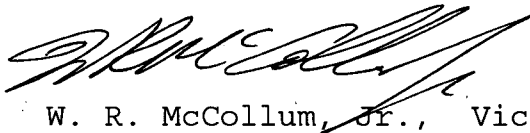
This proposed change to the Technical Specifications has been reviewed and approved by the Plant Operations Review Committee and Nuclear Safety Review Board. Implementation of these changes will not result in an undue risk to the health and safety of the public. In addition, the Oconee Updated Final Safety Analysis Report has been reviewed and no changes are necessary to support this amendment request.

Approval of this proposed Technical Specification Amendment is requested by October 1, 1999. Implementation is dependent upon completion of the modification. Therefore, Duke Energy requests 3 months from issuance of the Safety Evaluation to implement the proposed license amendment request.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.91, a copy of this proposed amendment is being sent to the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control for review, and as deemed necessary and appropriate, subsequent consultation with the NRC staff.

If there are any questions regarding this submittal, please contact Reese' Gambrell at (864)885-3364.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'W. R. McCollum, Jr.', is written over the typed name.

W. R. McCollum, Jr., Vice President  
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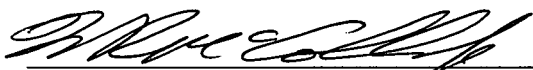
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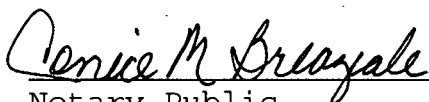
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W. R. McCollum, Jr., being duly sworn, states that he is Vice President, Oconee Nuclear Site, Duke Energy Corporation, that he is authorized on the part of said Company to sign and file with the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission this revision to the Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-38, DPR-47, DPR-55; and that all the statements and matters set forth herein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge.



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

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of July, 1999



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