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Subject: Environmental Review for License Renewal
Review of Rare and Endangered Species
Oconee Nuclear Station
Docket Nos. 50-269, -270, -287

By letter dated July 6, 1998, Duke Energy Corporation (Duke Energy) submitted an Application to Renew the Operating Licenses for Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3 (Application). The Application includes, among other documents, Exhibit D, Environmental Report - Operating License Renewal Stage (Environmental Report).

The Environmental Report contains an analysis of the potential environmental impacts associated with the renewal of the Oconee operating licenses. Section 4.6 of the Environmental Report includes a discussion of rare and endangered species that could be impacted by the continued operation of Oconee or refurbishment activities in the vicinity of Oconee. A survey of rare and endangered species was performed and a copy of the results of this environmental review was included in the Environmental Report as Attachment F.

Duke Energy provided a copy of this survey to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service in Charleston, SC by letter dated June 23, 1998 (a copy of this letter was provided as Attachment G in the Oconee Environmental Report). Subsequently, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service provided a response dated July 30, 1998, which is attached herein. The United States Fish and Wildlife Service concurs with the determination by Duke Energy contained in the Environmental Report that the proposed action will have no effect on listed or proposed endangered or threatened species.

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The attached information is being provided to aid the NRC staff in its review of the environmental portion of the Application. If there are any questions, please contact Bill Miller at 704-373-7900.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. R. McCollum Jr.", written in a cursive style.

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Attachment

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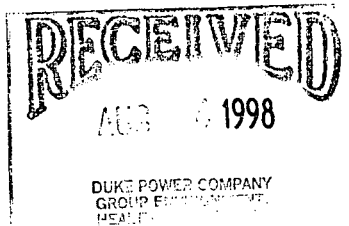
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Subject: Oconee Nuclear Station - NRC License Renewal
FWS Log No. 4-6-98-227

Dear Mr. Banks:

Duke Power Company is in the process of preparing a license renewal package for Oconee Nuclear Station. As part of the license renewal process, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requires that applicants identify adverse impacts to rare and endangered species resulting from continued operation of the facility or refurbishment activities.

Duke Power Company hired Dr. L.L. Gaddy to survey a one-mile radius around the facility to identify any rare or endangered species. Enclosed please find the results of this survey titled "*Endangered, Threatened and Otherwise Noteworthy Plant and Animal Species of the Oconee Nuclear Station.*"

Dr. Gaddy located four state-listed plant species within the one-mile radius. The locations of these plants are shown on Map 1 of the attached report. These areas are remote from the actual operation of the plant and there are no plans for future refurbishment activities in these locations. Therefore, Duke Power does not believe that continued operation of the facility will adversely impact these species. We ask that you provide your comments regarding both the survey report and our determination of no adverse impact.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 704/373-4392 if you have any questions.

Sincerely:

Jennifer R. Huff
Scientist

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Ed Duncan, SCDNR

cc: Dr. L.L. Gaddy

Based on the information received 6-26-98
we concur with your determination that the proposed
action:

- ☒ will have no effect on listed or proposed endangered or threatened species.
- ☐ is not likely to adversely affect listed or proposed endangered or threatened species.
- ☐ is not likely to have significant adverse wetland impacts.

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