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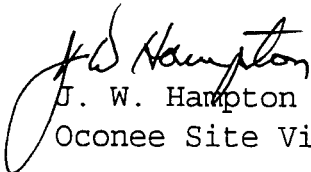
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90-Day Notification of Initial Fuel Loading

Duke is currently installing Phase III of the Oconee ISFSI, which will provide up to 20 additional horizontal storage modules for storage of spent nuclear fuel. Phase III of the Oconee ISFSI is being installed and used under VECTRA General License #1004 in accordance with 10CFR72, Subpart K.

Pursuant to 10CFR72.212 (b)(1)(i), this notification is being made at least 90 days prior to first storage of spent nuclear fuel at Oconee under the General License. Duke Power Company is currently planning the first fuel load into Phase III of the Oconee ISFSI no earlier than February 7, 1997.

If there are any further questions about this notification, please contact David Nix at (864) 885-3634.

Very truly yours,

  
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