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Re: RII:JPO

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Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

This letter supplements my letter of September 18, 1980 which discussed intended modifications to the Reactor Building Spray (RBS) systems for each Oconee Unit.

At the time the letter was written, it was fully intended that each Oconee unit would be shut down by the end of 1980 and would be available to install the necessary modifications inside each containment. Oconee Units 1, 2 were expected to be shut down to install post-TMI modifications required by January 1, 1981 and Oconee Unit 3 was expected to be shut down for refueling. In October 1980, the NRC revised the requirements for implementation of certain post-TMI modification, obviating the requirement for shutdown of Oconee Units 1, 2 by January 1, 1981, solely to install these modifications. However, in November Oconee Unit 2 was shut down to install selected outage related post-TMI modifications and the RBS system modifications. The RBS system modifications will be installed during the current Unit 3 refueling outage. For Oconee Unit 1, the RBS system modifications will be installed during the next available forced outage of sufficient duration or the next refueling outage, which is expected to start in May 1981, whichever is earlier.

Very truly yours,

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