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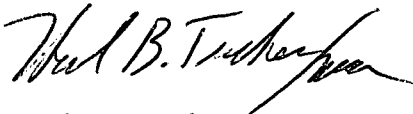
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McGuire Nuclear Station,
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Dear Mr. Denton:

Attached is Duke Power Company's response to Generic Letter to 86-04 concerning engineering expertise on shift.

Very truly yours,



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RESPONSE TO GENERIC LETTER 86-04
POLICY STATEMENT ON ENGINEERING EXPERTISE
ON SHIFT

Item 1: Your current program for providing engineering expertise on shift.

Response: Our policy on the qualifications for the Shift Technical Advisor (STA) position was stated previously in submittals dated May 2, 1984 (Oconee); July 31, 1981 (McGuire); and January 24, 1984 (Catawba). Our program utilizes individuals with a bachelor's degree or equivalent in engineering or a science. We also require two years nuclear power plant experience; (four years are required at Oconee). Our policy is to utilize degreed individuals who hold an SRO license.

Item 2: Criteria used to determine equivalency to engineering degree, if that option is exercised.

Response: We do not have an "equivalency" policy where experience is substituted for an engineering degree. A Professional Engineer's License (P.E.) is considered equivalent to a Bachelor's Degree.

Item 3: A description of any modifications you intend to propose to your current program in order to take advantage of the options identified in the Commission's Policy Statement.

Response: No modifications to the current program are planned.