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 matl surveillance) be withdrawn & application to amend
 Licenses DPR-38, DPR-47 & DPR-55 be approved upon approval of
 integrated reactor vessel matl surveillance program.

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Subject: Oconee Nuclear Station
Docket Nos. 50-269, -270, -287

Dear Sir:

By letter dated July 29, 1985 Duke Power Company (Duke) submitted a proposed technical specification amendment for Oconee Nuclear Station deleting certain technical specification requirements for Reactor Vessel Material Surveillance. The following information is provided based on comments received from your staff and is intended to supplement our previous submittal.

In a May 8, 1985 letter from Mr. Hugh L. Thompson, Jr., Director, Division of Licensing, to Mr. H.B. Tucker, Chairman, Babcock and Wilcox Owners Group, Topical Report BAW-1543, Revisions 2 and 2A, was accepted for reference in licensing applications. As a result of the approval, Duke Power Company requested that the Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulations, approve the Integrated Reactor Vessel Material Surveillance Program (IRVSP) documented in BAW-1543A, Revisions 2 and 2A for Oconee Nuclear Station.

Based upon Duke's understanding of the NRC's evaluation of the above mentioned report, after approval of our participation in IRVSP by the Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, our exemption to 10 CFR 50, Appendix H, granted by the Commission on July 14, 1977 will no longer be required as the surveillance program will meet 10 CFR 50, Appendix H. Therefore, upon NRC approval of IRVSP for Oconee Nuclear Station as described in BAW-1543A, Revision 2 and 2A, Duke requests that our exemption to 10 CFR 50, Appendix H be withdrawn and the proposed Technical Specification amendment submitted on

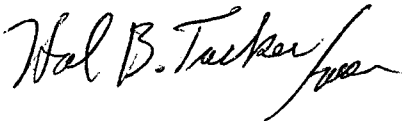
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July 29, 1985 be reviewed and approved.

Very truly yours,



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