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DESCRIPTION:

Ltr requesting an extension of the initial fuel cycle to allow the first reactor core to be operated up to the limits established by tech specs.....

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PLANT NAME: Oconee #2

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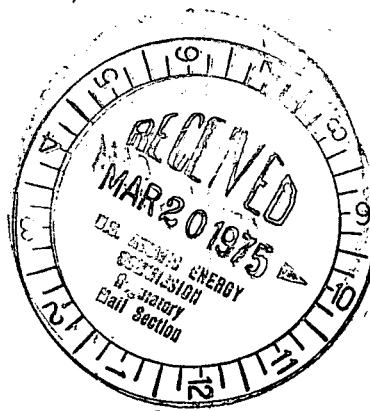
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March 17, 1975



Mr. Angelo Giambusso, Director
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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Re: Oconee Unit 2
Docket No. 50-270

Dear Mr. Giambusso:

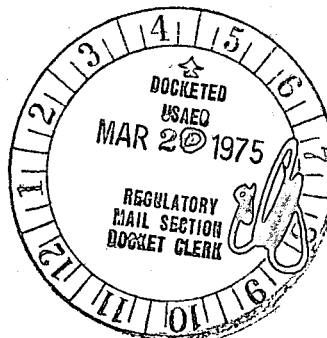
Oconee Technical Specification 1.2.8 states that the time interval between normal refuelings of the reactor is not to exceed 18 months without prior approval of the Commission. Initial fuel loading of Oconee 2 commenced on October 9, 1973; the 18 month interval would extend to April 9, 1975. Startup and power escalation, in addition to extensive maintenance outage time, have resulted in low initial fuel utilization. Based on current burnup data and a projected capacity factor, Oconee 2 may be operated until approximately May 23, 1976 without exceeding the operating limit of 11,040 effective full power hours established by Technical Specification 3.11.1 for the first core.

It is our understanding that the 18 month refueling period set by Technical Specification 1.2.8 is intended to assure that surveillance requirements identified in Section 4 of the Technical Specifications, which are specified as to calendar interval, are performed at intervals not exceeding 18 months. For Oconee 2, all surveillance specified as to calendar interval has been performed such that the 18 month interval will not be exceeded. Therefore, we request that the Oconee 2 initial fuel cycle be extended to allow the first reactor core to be operated up to the 11,040 effective full power hours established by Technical Specification 3.11.1.

Very truly yours,

A. C. Thies

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