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Docket Nos. 50-269/270/287

Duke Power Company
ATTN: Mr. William O. Parker, Jr.
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Gentlemen:

By letter dated February 19, 1976, you submitted a proposed Amendment to the Oconee Technical Specifications which would revise the testing and surveillance requirements for hydraulic shock suppressors. Your submittal was in response to our letter of December 18, 1975, in which we transmitted sample technical specifications considered to represent the minimum requirements in this area.

In reviewing your submittal we find that we cannot agree with your conclusions in excluding the provision for functional testing of a representative sample of snubbers each refueling cycle. As indicated in the bases of the sample technical specifications, functional testing will further increase the assurance of snubber reliability. We have, however, modified this requirement so that snubbers of rated capacity greater than 50,000 lb need not be functionally tested.

We request that you modify your February 19, 1976 submittal to include the provision for functional testing of hydraulic snubbers as described in the sample technical specifications provided, excluding those snubbers with a rated capacity of greater than 50,000 lb.

Please respond to this request within 15 days of receipt of this letter.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Robert A. Purple, Chief
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