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LICENSEE EVENT REPT (RO 50-287/78-4) ON 02/03/78 CONCERNING ELEC
FAILURE OF BS-3 VALVE'S TORQUE SWITCH.

PLANT NAME: OCONEE - UNIT 3

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RE: Oconee Unit 3
Docket No. 50-287

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

Pursuant to Sections 6.2 and 6.6.2 of the Oconee Nuclear Station
Technical Specifications, please find attached Reportable Occurrence
Report RO-287/78-4.

Very truly yours,

William O. Parker, Jr.
William O. Parker, Jr. *By Hmt*

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Attachment

cc: Director, Office of Management Information
and Program Control

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DUKE POWER COMPANY
OCONEE UNIT 3

Report No.: RO-287/78-4

Report Date: March 3, 1978

Occurrence Date: February 3, 1978

Facility: Oconee Unit 3, Seneca, South Carolina

Description of Occurrence: 3BS-3, Building Spray Pump Suction Valve
Inoperable

Conditions Prior to Occurrence: 100% Full Power

Description of Occurrence:

On February 3, 1978, at 1005, during the performance of PT/3/A/150/15A (valve operational test) 3BS-3 failed to open. The valve was closed in order to test its ability to assume its post-LOCA position (open) and failed to do so. The valve's torque switch was replaced and the valve was operable by 1515.

Apparent Cause of Occurrence:

The valve's torque switch evidently failed thereby preventing the valve from properly operating.

Analysis of Occurrence:

The reactor building spray system consists of two separate trains with independent spray headers. The 3BS-3 failure rendered the "A" train inoperable, but the other train was available to mitigate the consequences of accidents considered in the FSAR, and the train was returned to service within the 24 hours allowed for repair in Technical Specification 3.3.5. Therefore, the health and safety of the public were not endangered by this incident.

Corrective Action:

The valve's torque switch was replaced and the valve was verified operable.

EXHIBIT A

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CAUSE DESCRIPTION AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS (27)

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