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Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555

Attention: Mr. J. F. Stolz, Chief
Operating Reactors Branch No. 4

Subject: Oconee Nuclear Station Unit 3
Docket No. 50-287



Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50, §50.90, please find attached proposed changes to the Oconee Nuclear Station (ONS) Technical Specifications which are required to support the operation of Oconee Unit 3 at full rated power during Cycle 7.

This proposal contains changes which concern the following:

1. Core Protection Safety Limits of Specification 2.1;
2. Protective System Maximum Allowable Setpoints of Specification 2.3;
3. Rod Position Limits of Specification 3.5.2.

Also attached is DPC-RD-2001, Oconee Unit 3, Cycle 7 Reload Report. This report includes a summary of Cycle 7 operating parameters and contains the safety analyses supporting the operation of Oconee 3 Cycle 7 core at rated power in accordance with the Technical Specifications provided.

Oconee Unit 3 was shut down to begin the refueling cycle after 349 EFPD which is 17 EFPD short of the Cycle 7 window as included in this report. A reanalysis is underway, but changes to this submittal are expected to be minor due to the minor difference in actual EFPD versus those assumed in this analysis. An amendment will be submitted by approximately July 31, 1982 containing the required changes. Your review of this submittal at this time is requested to ensure a timely response after the amendment submittal as this refueling outage is currently in progress.

Startup testing of Oconee Unit 3, Cycle 7 will be performed in accordance with the report entitled, "Oconee Nuclear Station Generic Startup Physics Test Program", initially approved by NRC letter dated March 23, 1981 and as modified by Duke letter dated May 29, 1981.

This proposed license amendment concerning the reload design calculations for

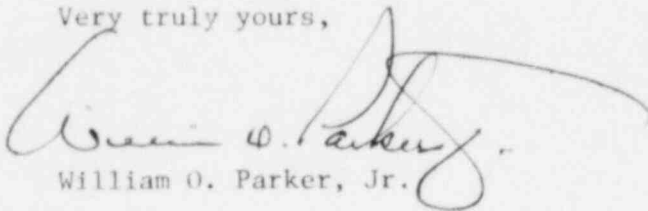
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Oconee 3, Cycle 7 was conducted consistent with Duke Technical Report NFS-1001, "Oconee Nuclear Station Reload Design Methodology" which was reviewed and accepted by the Staff in a letter dated July 29, 1981. As such, it is considered that this proposed revision to the Oconee Technical Specifications is a Class III licensing action. Therefore, pursuant to 10 CFR 170, §170.12, please find enclosed a check in the amount of \$4000.

Very truly yours,



William O. Parker, Jr.

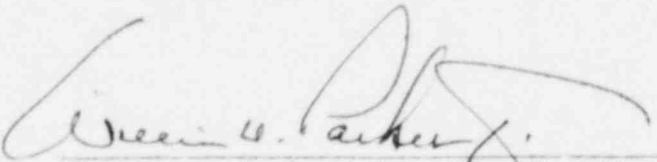
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cc: Mr. James P. O'Reilly, Regional Administrator
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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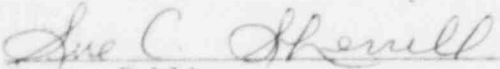
Mr. W. T. Orders
NRC Resident Inspector
Oconee Nuclear Station

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WILLIAM O. PARKER, JR., being duly sworn, states that he is Vice President of Duke Power Company; that he is authorized on the part of said Company to sign and file with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission this request for amendment of the Oconee Nuclear Station Technical Specifications, Appendix A to Facility Operating Licenses DPR-38, DPR-47 and DPR-55; and that all statements and matters set forth therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge.


William O. Parker, Jr., Vice President

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of May, 1982.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

September 20, 1984