

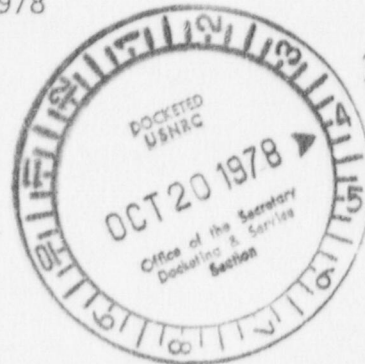


UNITED STATES
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In the Matter of
DUKE POWER COMPANY
(Amendment to Materials License SNM-1773 for
Oconee Nuclear Station Spent Fuel Transportation
and Storage at McGuire Nuclear Station)
Docket No. 70-2623

Dear Mr. Roisman:

Thank you for your letter of September 19, 1978 regarding your interest in being kept informed on various matters involving the referenced licensing action. The NRC will be pleased to provide you with the information you desire in accordance with our standard practice.

Unfortunately, a number of your understandings as to what you expect of the NRC with respect to information are somewhat overstated. We expect, of course, to fully comply with established NRC practices in providing you with information relative to this proceeding. In this regard, you may be assured of our full cooperation.

Your understanding of our standard practice regarding the furnishing of copies of the application is not quite accurate. The NRC receives from the Applicant only enough copies of applications to meet NRC's needs. Copies for Intervenor are available in the NRC Public Document Rooms or directly from the Applicant. In this case, however, there were copies of the application available to the NRC and, accordingly, copies have been sent to petitioners seeking to intervene in this proceeding.

As to staff/applicant correspondence, the practice is to send copies of all staff-generated correspondence to Intervenor. Applicant-generated correspondence prior to the issuance of the staff documents relative to its safety or environmental evaluations are furnished directly to Intervenor by the Applicant. Thereafter, copies are furnished by the NRC.

With respect to your concern regarding being notified of meetings between NRC staff and the Applicant, that matter is subject to the procedures established in the Statement of Policy with Regard to Domestic License Applications which was published in 43 F.R. 28058, June 28, 1978.

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The procedures set forth in that statement will be followed in this matter. We will, of course, make all reasonable efforts to provide as much advance notice regarding these meetings as is possible or practical. With regard to this specific application, the staff has informed me that there have been only two meetings between the staff and the Applicant; a site visit was held April 25-27 and a meeting was held in Silver Spring, Maryland on June 2, 1978. No other meetings have been held since publication of the Federal Register notice relative to this application on July 28, 1978.

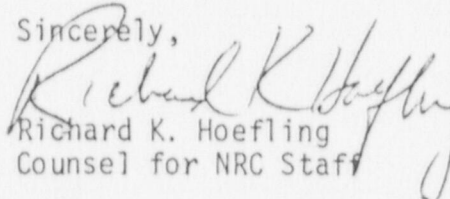
Intervenors in this proceeding will also be furnished by the NRC with copies of meeting minutes, telephone call minutes and inspection reports bearing on this application.

As was noted in my letter of September 15, 1978 to Mr. Blum, copies of all documents relevant to this proceeding will, as a matter of course, be placed in the NRC's Washington, D. C. Public Document Room and in the local public document room established at the Public Library of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County, 310 N. Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina. Copies of the documents are also available at the local public document room located in the Oconee County Public Library, 201 South Spring Street, Walhalla, South Carolina 29691.

If you have any questions or problems regarding the availability of documents in this proceeding, please contact Edward Ketchen or myself. We will be most happy to assist you in any way we can.

I look forward to working with you cooperatively on this proceeding.

Sincerely,


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