

SITE VISIT OBSERVATION

09/25/2009

NAME OF ORIGINATOR

Joel T. Munday

ORGANIZATION

RII/DRP

LICENSEE

Duke Power/ Oconee

SENIOR LICENSEE PERSON

David Baxter

TITLE OF SENIOR LICENSEE PERSON

Site Vice President

PURPOSE OF VISIT

Met with Sr. Resident Inspector and Resident Inspectors. Toured many areas of the plant including portions of the Turbine Bldg., safe shutdown facility, Keowee hydro station, OSC, TSC, outside areas and the main control rooms. I also met with the licensee management to discuss plant performance and interactions with the NRC. I attended an exit meeting for a Security baseline inspection. Last, I presented operator license certificates.

INSPECTOR(S) OBSERVED

Andy Sabisch - Senior Resident Inspector
Eric Riggs - Resident Inspector
Kevin Ellis - Resident Inspector

SAFETY ISSUES

Observed ongoing maintenance/modification associated with the SSF.

SECURITY ISSUES

Discussed corrective actions licensee had taken to several vehicles being left unattended inside the protected area.

Note: When documenting the licensee's comments, be as specific as possible with respect to the NRC organization involved and the associated characteristics (communication, timeliness, quality of activity, working relationship, etc.).

FAVORABLE FEEDBACK

Licensee indicated they have good communications with the resident inspectors and Branch Chief.

FORWARD COMPLETED FORM TO CHIEF, IPAB, MAIL STOP O-7 H4

UNFAVORABLE FEEDBACK (ISSUE OR PROBLEM)

None

OTHER COMMENTS

Licensee is concerned with the ultimate resolution to the impacts of a Jocassee dam breach to the nuclear plant. Although much work has been completed, they are concerned that if NRC reviewers change, much work will have to be duplicated or re-done. They are preparing for an upcoming meeting with the NRC on this subject and believe they are prepared with a path toward resolution. They are concerned about the level of documentation that may need to be docketed in order to resolve this issue.

RECOMMENDATIONS/RESOLUTION

None

ACTIONS NEEDED

Continue dialogue with licensee on flooding issues. Maintain the extra RI in place until the site modifications (HELB, flood, etc.) are complete.

TRACKING

None

DOCKET NO(S)

50-269, 50-270, 50-287

LICENSEE NO(S)

DPR-38, DPR-47, DPR-55

cc: Regional Administrator
Deputy Regional Administrator
Technical Division Directors
Cognizant Regional Branch Chief
Cognizant Senior Resident Inspector
Cognizant DORL Project Manager
Cognizant DORL Branch Chief
Chief, IPAB
NMSS (appropriate DD)
Chief, Security Oversight Section, NSIR (for security issues)