

## Enclosures 1 and 3 Contain Proprietary Information Withhold in Accordance with 10 CFR 2.390

October 17, 2018

Serial: RA-18-0202

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk Washington, DC 20555-0001

- Subject: Brunswick Steam Electric Plant, Unit Nos. 1 and 2 Renewed Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-71 and DPR-62 Docket Nos. 50-325 and 50-324 Information Transmittal for NRC Confirmatory Calculations
- Reference: Letter from William R. Gideon (Duke Energy) to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Document Control Desk, *Request for License Amendment Regarding Application of Advanced Framatome Methodologies*, dated October 11, 2018, ADAMS Accession Number ML18284A395.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

By letter dated October 11, 2018 (i.e., Reference), Duke Energy Progress, LLC (Duke Energy), submitted a license amendment request (LAR) for the Brunswick Steam Electric Plant (BSEP), Unit Nos. 1 and 2. The proposed license amendment revises Technical Specification 5.6.5.b to allow application of Advanced Framatome Methodologies for determining core operating limits in support of loading Framatome fuel type ATRIUM 11.

The NRC has requested certain information for the purposes of performing Anticipated Transient Without Scram with Instability (ATWS-I) confirmatory calculations using the TRACE computer code. The majority of the information requested was provided in the LAR; this transmittal provides requested information that was not included in the LAR.

Enclosure 1 provides ATRIUM 11 spacer grid information and Enclosure 3 provides regional flux maps and eigenvalues for exposure points of interest. Enclosures 1 and 3 are proprietary in their entirety. Framatome, as owner of the proprietary information, has executed the affidavits provided in Enclosures 2 and 4, which identify the information as proprietary, is customarily held in confidence, and should be withheld from public disclosure in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390.

No regulatory commitments are contained in this letter.

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Please refer any questions regarding this submittal to Mr. Lee Grzeck, Manager - Regulatory Affairs, at (910) 832-2487.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

- 1. ATRIUM 11 Spacer Grid Information [Proprietary Information Withhold from Public Disclosure in Accordance with 10 CFR 2.390]
- 2. Affidavit for RA-18-0202 Enclosure 1, ATRIUM 11 Spacer Grid Information
- 3. FS1-0040268, *Regional Flux Maps for Advanced Framatome Methods LAR*, Revision 1 [Proprietary Information – Withhold from Public Disclosure in Accordance with 10 CFR 2.390]
- 4. Affidavit for FS1-0040268, *Regional Flux Maps for Advanced Framatome Methods LAR*, Revision 1

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Chair - North Carolina Utilities Commission (Electronic Copy Only) 4325 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-4300 swatson@ncuc.net Affidavit for RA-18-0202 Enclosure 1, ATRIUM 11 Spacer Grid Information

## AFFIDAVIT

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3. I am familiar with the Framatome information contained in Enclosure 1 to Duke Energy Letter RA-18-0202, "Brunswick Steam Electric Plant, Unit Nos. 1 and 2 Renewed Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-71 and DPR-62 Docket Nos. 50-325 and 50-324 Information Transmittal for NRC Confirmatory Calculations," and referred to herein as "Document." Information contained in this Document has been classified by Framatome as proprietary in accordance with the policies established by Framatome for the control and protection of proprietary and confidential information.

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Affidavit for FS1-0040268, Regional Flux Maps for Advanced Framatome Methods LAR, Revision 1

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