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**SUBJECT: MID-CYCLE PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND INSPECTION PLAN - CATAWBA
NUCLEAR STATION**

Dear Mr. Peterson:

On November 8, 2000, the NRC staff completed its mid-cycle plant performance assessment of Catawba Nuclear Station. The mid-cycle review for Catawba Nuclear Station involved the participation of all technical divisions in evaluating performance indicators (PIs) for the most recent quarter and inspection results for the period of April 2, 2000, through September 30, 2000. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of our assessment of your safety performance during this period and our plans for future inspections at your facility so that you will have an opportunity to prepare for these inspections and to inform us of any planned inspections which may conflict with your plant activities.

Plant performance for the most recent quarter was within the Licensee Response Column of the NRC's Action Matrix, based on all inspection findings being classified as having very low safety significance (Green) and all PIs indicating performance at a level requiring no additional NRC oversight (Green). Therefore, we plan to conduct only baseline inspections at your facility through September 30, 2001.

The enclosure details the scheduled inspections that will occur through September 30, 2001. The inspection plan is provided to minimize the resource impact on your staff and to allow for scheduling conflicts and personnel availability to be resolved in advance of inspector arrival onsite. Routine resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature. The last six months of the inspection plan are tentative and may be revised at the end-of-cycle review meeting.

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If circumstances arise which cause us to change this inspection plan, we will contact you to discuss the change as soon as possible. Please contact me at (404) 562-4550 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Catawba Nuclear Station Inspection/Activity Plan

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Catawba
Inspection / Activity Plan
12/04/2000 - 09/30/2001

Unit Number	Inspection Activity	Title	No. of Staff on Site	Planned Dates Start	Planned Dates End	Inspection Type
	EB-SSDI - SSDI PRE-INSPECTION VISIT		1			
1, 2	IP 7111121	Safety System Design and Performance Capability		12/11/2000	12/15/2000	Baseline Inspections
	PS-RP - RAD PROTECTION		1			
1, 2	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		12/18/2000	12/22/2000	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		12/18/2000	12/22/2000	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		12/18/2000	12/22/2000	Baseline Inspections
	EB-SSDI - SSDI W/50.59		6			
1, 2	IP 7111102	Evaluation of Changes, Tests, or Experiments		01/08/2001	01/12/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7111121	Safety System Design and Performance Capability		01/08/2001	01/12/2001	Baseline Inspections
	EB-SSDI - SSDI		5			
1, 2	IP 7111121	Safety System Design and Performance Capability		01/22/2001	01/26/2001	Baseline Inspections
	PB1-PI&R - PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION & RESOLUTION		3			
1, 2	IP 71152	Identification and Resolution of Problems		02/05/2001	02/16/2001	Baseline Inspections
	PS-RP - RADIATION PROTECTION		1			
1, 2	IP 7112202	Radioactive Material Processing and Transportation		02/12/2001	02/16/2001	Baseline Inspections
	OL PREP - INITIAL EXAM PREP		2			
1	V23136	CATAWBA 1/INITIAL EXAMS AT POWER FACILITIES		03/12/2001	03/16/2001	Not Applicable
	OL EXAM - INITIAL EXAM		3			
1	V23136	CATAWBA 1/INITIAL EXAMS AT POWER FACILITIES		04/02/2001	04/06/2001	Not Applicable
	PS-SEC - SECURITY		1			
1, 2	IP 7113001	Access Authorization Program (Behavior Observation Only)		04/09/2001	04/13/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7113002	Access Control (Search of Personnel, Packages, and Vehicles: Identification and Authorizat		04/09/2001	04/13/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		04/09/2001	04/13/2001	Baseline Inspections
	OL EXAM - INITIAL EXAM		3			
1	V23136	CATAWBA 1/INITIAL EXAMS AT POWER FACILITIES		04/16/2001	04/20/2001	Not Applicable
	PS-RP - RADIATION PROTECTION		1			
1, 2	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation		04/30/2001	05/04/2001	Baseline Inspections
	EB-FP - FIRE PROTECTION PRE-INSPECTION VISIT		4			
1, 2	IP 7111105T	Fire Protection		07/09/2001	07/13/2001	Baseline Inspections
	OL EP - EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS		1			
1, 2	IP 7111402	Alert and Notification System Testing		07/09/2001	07/13/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7111403	Emergency Response Organization Augmentation Testing		07/09/2001	07/13/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7111404	Emergency Action Level and Emergency Plan Changes		07/09/2001	07/13/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7111405	Correction of Emergency Preparedness Weaknesses and Deficiencies		07/09/2001	07/13/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		07/09/2001	07/13/2001	Baseline Inspections

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	PS-RP - RADIATION PROTECTION		1			
1, 2	IP 7112201	Radioactive Gaseous and Liquid Effluent Treatment and Monitoring Systems		07/09/2001	07/13/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		07/09/2001	07/13/2001	Baseline Inspections
	MB MR - MAINT RULE		1			
1, 2	IP 7111112B	Maintenance Rule Implementation		07/15/2001	07/19/2001	Baseline Inspections
	EB-FP - FIRE PROTECTION INSPECTION		4			
1, 2	IP 7111105T	Fire Protection		08/06/2001	08/10/2001	Baseline Inspections
	PS-RP - RADIATION PROTECTION		1			
1, 2	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		08/06/2001	08/10/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		08/06/2001	08/10/2001	Baseline Inspections
	PS-RP - RADIATION PROTECTION		1			
1, 2	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		09/17/2001	09/21/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		09/17/2001	09/21/2001	Baseline Inspections

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