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SUBJECT: AUXILIARY RESERVOIR DAM INSPECTION - SHEARON HARRIS NUCLEAR

POWER PLANT

Dear Mr. Scarola:

In accordance with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) responsibilities under the Federal Guidelines for Dam Safety, the NRC, with assistance from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), will conduct a routine follow-up inspection of the auxiliary reservoir dam at the Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant on July 24, 2001. This inspection date was coordinated with Mr. Mark Ellington of your staff.

The purposes of this routine inspection are to confirm that the dam conforms with design documents, that it is capable of safely performing its design functions, and that the hazard classification is appropriate. Mr. Daniel Rom of the NRC's Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, and Mr. Dick Ross of FERC will conduct the inspection. Follow-up inspections generally start in the morning and are concluded by mid-afternoon. Pertinent records from the past 2 years will be reviewed, and a walking tour of the dam and its environs will be made.

Please contact me at (301) 415-1373 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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