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Chief, Rules and Directives Branch Division of Administrative Services Office of Administration Mailstop T-6 D 59 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555-0001

Dear Sir:

It is my privilege as Chairman of the Lake Norman Chamber of Commerce to write to you on behalf of the McGuire Nuclear Station at Lake Norman. The Lake Norman Chamber of Commerce represents nearly 1,000 businesses in the Cornelius, Davidson, Denver, Huntersville, and the Mooresville Communities.

Throughout its history, Duke Power's McGuire Nuclear Station and the Energy Explorium have been outstanding corporate citizens encouraging their employees to actively participate in community activities. The Energy Explorium serves as an educational resource for our schools, conducting tours for students and educating them through interactive games and virtual tours. Duke's employees serve in a variety of leadership roles - chairing our Chamber Lunch Buddy Program (mentoring at risk elementary school children), coordinating our Business Expo, and serving on our Chamber's Board of Directors.

McGuire also actively participates in local community events through sponsorships and by providing speakers to groups and associations on a host of topics ranging from energy to the environment. The management of McGuire Nuclear plant take their role very seriously in our community by hosting annual community breakfasts to discuss the operations of the plant and any new developments. The staff of McGuire are committed to a safe and informed public.

Duke Power's McGuire Nuclear Station provides a commodity that is crucial for the existence of our community. However, they play a much bigger role than that of a utility company. They are an important regional resource and partner for our community. On behalf of Lake Norman's business community, we deeply appreciate the commitment, dedication, and civic involvement of the McGuire Nuclear Station and the staff of the Energy Explorium.

Sincerety lu \sim **Richard Terry**

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