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SUBJECT: FINAL SUPPLEMENT 7 TO THE GENERIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (GEIS) REGARDING LICENSE RENEWAL FOR THE NORTH ANNA POWER STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2

Dear Mr. Christian:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has completed the plant-specific Supplement 7 to NUREG-1437, "Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Power Plants," (GEIS). Supplement 7 addresses the renewal of operating licenses NPF-4 and NPF-7 for the North Anna Power Station, Units 1 and 2, for an additional 20 years of operation. The North Anna Power Station is operated by Virginia Electric and Power Company (VEPCo). Enclosed is a copy of the report.

As discussed in Section 9.3 of this report:

> The staff recommends that the Commission determine that the adverse environmental impacts of license renewal for North Anna Power Station, Units 1 and 2, are not so great that preserving the option of license renewal for energy planning decision makers would be unreasonable. This recommendation is based on (1) the analysis and findings in the *Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants*, NUREG-1437; (2) the Environmental Report submitted by VEPCo; (3) consultation with Federal, State, and local agencies; (4) the staff's own independent review; and (5) the staff's consideration of public comments.

A notice of filing of the final environmental impact statement will be placed in the *Federal Register* through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in November 2002. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call me at (301) 415-2828.

Sincerely,

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