

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

In the Matter of)	
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DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION)	Docket Nos. 50-369, 370, 413 and 414
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(McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2,)	
Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2))	

NRC STAFF'S RESPONSE TO INTERVENORS' MOTION
FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO
DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION'S MOTION TO DISMISS CONTENTION 2

On December 23, 2002, Duke Energy Corporation (Duke) filed a motion to dismiss consolidated Contention 2. On December 31, 2002, Intervenors, Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League (BREDL) and Nuclear Information and Resource Service (NIRS) (collectively, Intervenors) filed a motion for an extension of time to file a response to Duke's motion. The NRC staff (Staff) hereby files its response to the Intervenors' motion for extension of time.

The Staff does not object to a reasonable extension of time to respond, so long as the Staff is given a corresponding extension of time.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland
this 2nd day of January 2003

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of "NRC STAFF'S RESPONSE TO INTERVENORS' MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION'S MOTION TO DISMISS CONTENTION 2" in the above-captioned proceeding have been served on the following by deposit in the United States mail, first class; or as indicated by an asterisk (*), by deposit in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's internal mail system; as indicated by two asterisks (**), by electronic mail, this 2nd day of January, 2003.

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