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SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BY THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY  
COMMISSION FOR THE RENEWAL OF SURRY POWER STATION

Dear Mr. Warren:

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The NRC staff has completed its environmental review of Dominion's application, and we have drafted an Environmental Assessment (EA) to document our findings. We conclude in the EA that the proposed action will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

Consistent with NRC policy, on October 16, 2003, you were informed of the NRC staff's preliminary determination and requested to provide comments on behalf of the State of Virginia. The State did not wish to review the EA or provide comments. The Environmental Assessment will note that the State was consulted and had no comments. Concurrent with the issuance of the EA, the staff plans to forward its Finding of No Significant Impact for publication in the Federal Register.

If you or your staff have any questions on this matter, please contact me at (301) 415-3781.

Sincerely,

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Docket No.: 72-2 (50-280, 50-281)

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