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January 12, 2004

Duke Energy Corporation ATTN: Mr. D. M. Jamil Site Vice President Catawba Site 4800 Concord Road York, SC 29745-9635

SUBJECT: FEMA REGION IV FINAL EXERCISE REPORT FOR MARCH 26, 2002 FULL

PARTICIPATION PLUME EXPOSURE PATHWAY EXERCISE - CATAWBA

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Dear Mr. Jamil:

Enclosed is the subject report for the March 26, 2002, full participation plume phase pathway exercise of the offsite radiological emergency response plans site-specific to the Catawba Nuclear Plant. All objectives of the exercise were demonstrated with no Deficiencies identified. However; there was one Area Requiring Corrective Action (ARCA) identified concerning North Carolina's failure to communicate the decision for emergency workers to ingest KI to the affected counties.

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If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact me at (404) 562-4638.

Sincerely,

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Michael E. Ernstes, Chief Operator Licensing and Human Performance Branch Division of Reactor Safety

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Enclosure: Final Exercise Report - Catawba

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