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5. Electrical systems on the No. 2 plant "suffer from the same fundamental weaknesses as those which allowed a fire last year at the Brown's Ferry plant in Alabama to paralyze much of that plant's vital safety apparatus."

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Incoming: Rep. Edward I. Koch  
 From: U.S. House of Representatives  
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 To: Chairman Anders Date 2/11/76  
 Subject: Questions concerning the charges  
made by Robert D. Pollard

- ☒ Prepare reply for signature of:  
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☐ EDO, GC, CL, SOL, PA, SECY  
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DATE DUE COMMISSION: March 1, 1976

- ☐ For direct reply\*  
☐ For appropriate action  
☐ For information  
☐ For recommendation

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 Time 9:30

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For the Commission:                     

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