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SUBJECT: SUSQUEHANNA STEAM ELECTRIC STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2 -  
WITHDRAWAL OF RELIEF REQUEST NO. 3RR-19 (TAC NOS. ME8521 AND  
ME8522)

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The purpose of this letter is to advise that the above-cited application is being treated as withdrawn and the associated TACs will be closed.

If you have any questions please contact me at 301-415-1603.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carleen J. Sanders".

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