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Mr. K. Henderson
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SUBJECT: CATAWBA NUCLEAR STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2 - TRANSMITTAL OF DAM INSPECTION REPORT

Dear Mr. Henderson:

On March 31, 2015, a routine safety inspection was conducted of the Standby Nuclear Service Water Pond (SNSWP) Dam at the Catawba Nuclear Station. The staff of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has received and evaluated the final report from its technical assistance contractor, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), related to this inspection. The inspection did not identify any conditions that represent a threat to the safety or the operation of the SNSWP.

The NRC staff concurs with the conclusions stated in the enclosed FERC report. The inspection included the embankment, abutments, outlet structure, instrument pier, and the SNSWP visible from the dam. Based on visual inspection, discussions with licensee representatives, and data provided by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, the SNSWP embankment and appurtenances are adequately maintained and in satisfactory condition for service, stability, and longevity. No conditions threatening dam safety were found.

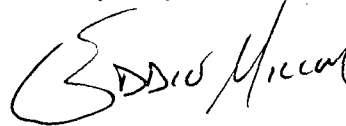
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Sincerely,

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