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Mr. H. B. Tucker, Vice President
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Dear Mr. Tucker:

Subject: Containment Integrated Leak Rate Testing - Oconee, McGuire and
Catawba Nuclear Stations (TACs 66329 through 66335)

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Although your submittal will receive appropriate priority, we find that the complexity and significance of the proposed criteria and its supporting basis does not provide for review completion consistent with November 13, 1987. Accordingly, we recommend that you proceed with your Catawba planning on the basis of existing approved methods and criteria. Appendix J of 10 CFR 50, by its reference to ANSI-N45.4, requires that CILRTs be performed for a 24-hour period. Tests of less than 24-hours duration require prior NRC approval; we have not authorized a lesser duration for any Duke Station.

Sincerely,

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