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Dear Ms. Heise:

I am pleased to respond to your letter to Mr. Denton which we received June 2, 1986, in which you expressed concern regarding Carolina Power and Light's (CP&L) request for an exemption from a "full scale evacuation drill prior to fueling of the Shearon Harris nuclear plant."

The regulations do not require that a full scale emergency preparedness exercise be conducted prior to plant operation of up to 5% of rated power. CP&L's exemption request was that they not be required to perform a full scale emergency preparedness prior to exceeding 5% of rated power. By letter dated June 10, 1986, CP&L stated that they are now in the process of consulting with involved off-site response organizations on the scheduling of exercises for the Shearon Harris Plant. Furthermore, CP&L requested that the NRC staff hold in abeyance active review of the exemption request and the request for a hearing until the consulting process has been completed. At that point, CP&L will then provide additional information to the NRC staff for review. Consequently, the NRC staff will not act on this matter until the above cited additional information has been provided.

I hope that the above discussion has been responsive to your concern.

Sincerely,

/s/

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