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SUBJECT: Requests that NRC compel util to conduct full participation emergency exercise of replacement plan before operation authorized. Emergency siren sys never fully tested & experienced failures during May 1985 & June-Jul 1986.

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Aug. 4, 1986

Mr. Lando Zech
Office of the Chairman
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
1717 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Chairman Zech:

I am firmly convinced that the Shearon Harris Emergency Response Plan is of crucial importance to public health & safety, particularly for North Carolina residents who would be affected by the evacuation provisions of the Plan.

In response to the concerns of thousands of citizens, the Chatham County Commissioners voted on May 27, 1986, to withdraw their approval of the previous plan. As a result of promises to improve the Plan made by Carolina Power and Light Company (the "Company") and the North Carolina Dept. of Crime Control and Public Safety, the Chatham County Commissioners agreed to rejoin the effort to arrive at a satisfactory and adequate Plan. Further, other counties in the area are considering requests for expansion and/or revision of the Plan. I, and many other residents of Raleigh, believe that any realistic evacuation plan that involves Wake County involves us and that the current Plan does not adequately address this issue.

It is important that you note that the plant's emergency siren system has never been fully tested and that the system experienced failures during May, 1985, and June-July, 1986. I am personally aware of an incident in which the emergency sirens at the 10 mi radius was accidentally activated. If this had been a real emergency the outcome would have been disastrous. The Shearon Harris plant guards, the highway patrol did not believe that citizens had heard the sirens; the responsible Shearon Harris officials did not know what to do or whom to contact in case of an emergency; and the company attempted to deny what had happened. I believe you have received documents regarding this incident.

In view of such incidents and the extreme importance of an adequate Plan, I request that the NRC compel the Company to conduct a Full Participation Emergency Exercise of the Replacement Plan, in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 50, Appendix E, Section IV. F.1, before operation of the Shearon Harris Plant is authorized.

Sincerely,

Marguerite Mary Kohn

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