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City Of Raleigh
North Carolina

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COUNCIL MEMBER

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Mr. Harold Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Denton:

Following up on your comment, that involvement of local officials has a positive impact on the operation of nuclear power facilities, I am attempting to form a Citizen Advisory Board. Several individuals, who are expert nuclear scientists or nuclear engineers, are supportive of this concept and are willing to serve.

I have enclosed a copy of the proposed structure and purpose of the Board and would like your comments and suggestions. The final decision on whether or not to establish this citizens group will be made by the Council on November 20, 1986. I will appreciate receiving your input before then.

Once again, thank you for taking the time to meet with us here in Raleigh.

Sincerely,

Mary Cates

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Council Member

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CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD FOR NUCLEAR SAFETY

A five-member citizens board appointed by the Raleigh City Council to enhance community understanding by providing a source of meaningful information and analysis about the operations of the Shearon Harris nuclear power plant.

I. Purpose. To inform the public and to advise the City Council on policy issues of local concern about the Shearon Harris plant once it is in operation. This board will not be a regulatory body and will be independent of any special interest. This board will undertake the following activities, among others:

- a. Review the Nuclear Regulatory Commission ("NRC") reports and other materials and make independent observations on issues of concern to the public.
- b. Attend meetings between the NRC and Carolina Power and Light Company and consult with people who are knowledgeable in technical, financial, and legal aspects of nuclear power for the purpose of gaining an understanding of plant operations and regulations and of helping to build rapport.
- c. Review North Carolina, including Utilities Commission, policies relating to the operation of the Shearon Harris plant and inform the Council of any need for change so they may communicate this to the State officials in an effort to protect the public interest.
- d. Ascertain the quality of training of nuclear plant personnel.
- e. Review methods of public education and make recommendations for developing education programs for local citizens.
- f. Review the NRC's quality assurance and operation practices and the nuclear power plant's compliance with State and Federal regulations and guidelines.

II. Membership. Five members, at least ~~two~~³ of whom shall have technical expertise in nuclear power and at least three of whom shall reside within the City of Raleigh. The board shall meet on a monthly basis and at such other times as it deems appropriate.

III. "Sunset" Provision. The board's existence and service will be evaluated at the end of two years. It will take a majority vote of the City Council to extend the board beyond December 31, 1988.

IV. Remaining Questions.

- (a) Do other municipalities in the area wish to participate?
- (b) Is another state or local board already performing these functions? *no*
- (c) Should this board be a committee of the Citizens Advisory Board on Environmental Quality?

