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February 10, 1999

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Mr. Scott Flanders  
U S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
11555 Rockville Pike  
Rockville, MD 20852-2738

Dear Mr. Flanders:

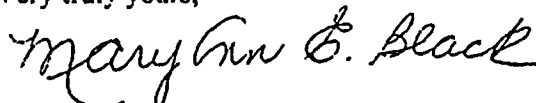
The Durham County Board of Commissioners had previously submitted the attached Resolution regarding the proposed expansion of high-level radioactive waste storage facilities at Carolina Power & Light's Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant in Wake County, North Carolina. In this Resolution, the Board expressed concern over these plans and requested that a public input process be put in place prior to approval of this application.

As per the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's rules, the public comment period is only thirty (30) days from the date of the request. In this case, the final date for comment is Friday, February 12, 1999.

The Durham County Board of Commissioners respectfully requests an extension of thirty (30) days for this public comment period so that they can provide informed remarks on this issue. The Board has serious concerns over this application and believes that the thirty (30) day period is too short to allow adequate public input and for the County Commissioners to review this issue.

Please let us know of your decision on this matter as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,



MaryAnn E. Black, Chairman  
Durham County Board of Commissioners

Attachment

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cc: Congressman David F. Price

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DURHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
A RESOLUTION REGARDING PROPOSED EXPANSION OF HIGH LEVEL  
RADIOACTWE WASTE STORAGE FACILITIES  
AT CP&L'S SHEARON HARRIS NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

WHEREAS, on January 3, 1999, the Durham County Board of Commissioners was advised as to plans for the expansion of the high level radioactive waste storage facilities at Carolina Power & Light's Shearon Harris nuclear power plant in Wake County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has been apprised of the potential risks inherent with the doubling of the storage capacity of the temporary storage pools for high level radioactive waste for the purpose of long-term storage of high level radioactive waste, not only from the Shearon Harris plant, but also from two other nuclear power plants from elsewhere in North and South Carolina; and

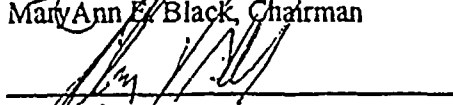
WHEREAS, the Durham Board of County Commissioners is concerned about the plans to expand the waste storage capacity at the Shearon Harris facility and the lack of public input and process thus far:

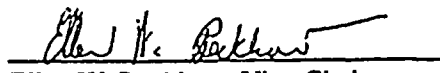
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Durham County Board of Commissioners requests that the North Carolina Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission conduct public hearings in which Carolina Power & Light and appropriate regulatory staff: 1) explain the plans to expand the storage facilities for high level radioactive waste at the Shearon Harris nuclear power plant; 2) outline the risks or lack thereof and explain the risk assessment methodology employed to develop risk projections related to the use of facilities designed for short-term storage of high level radioactive wastes for long-term storage; 3) outline the risks or lack thereof and explain the risk assessment methodology employed to develop risk projections associated with the transportation and handling of materials from other distant nuclear power generating facilities; and 4) accept and consider public comments relative to support for or opposition to operating or expanding such a facility in this area.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution are to be sent to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; North Carolina's delegation to the United States Congress; Durham County's local delegation to the North Carolina Legislature; North Carolina Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources; Carolina Power & Light; and Durham City/County Environmental Affairs Board.

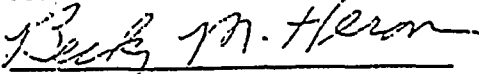
This the 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1999.

  
Mary Ann E. Black, Chairman

  
William V. Bell

  
Ellen W. Reckhow, Vice-Chairman

  
Joe W. Bowser

  
Becky M. Heron

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Chairman Jackson

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PROPOSED EXPANSION OF HIGH-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE STORAGE CAPACITY AT CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT'S SHEARON HARRIS NUCLEAR POWER PLANT (MaryAnn E. Black)

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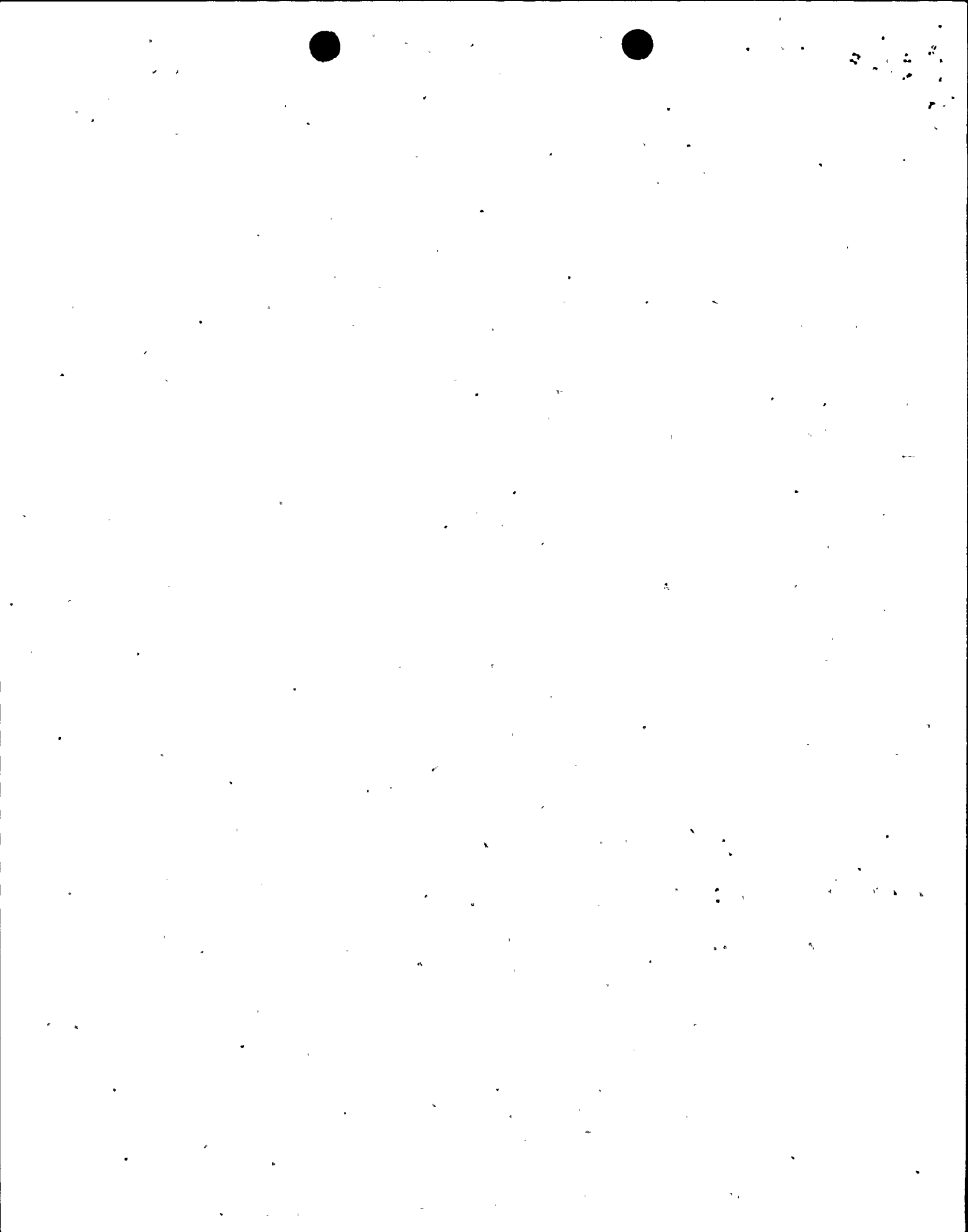
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STORAGE CAPACITY AT CAROLINA POWER LIGHT'S--SHEARON  
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