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Dear Mr. Utley:

Subject: Change in Schedule of the Shearon Harris Environmental Review

This letter concerns the schedule which pertains to the Draft Environmental Statement (DES) for the Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plants, Units 1 and 2. The current schedule, which NRC staff has attempted to adhere to, calls for insurance of the DES in October, 1982. It has become clear over the past few weeks that the NRC staff will not have access to hydrological information resulting from the reservoir reanalysis in time to meet this schedule. This information deals with the adequacy of the Shearon Harris reservoir for normal operation and postulated accident conditions in the absence of make-up capability from the Cape Fear River. This information had been scheduled for receipt by NRC on August 16, 1982. The lack of this data to date has brought about the necessity to change the schedule associated with the DES.

During NRC staff attempts to estimate the extent to which the schedule should be changed, Dr. N. P. Kadambi of my staff has communicated with Mr. Steve Cashell of your staff and has been given to understand that the required information would be forthcoming by October 15, 1982. The information would be in the form of changes to pages of the Environmental Report (OL) and appropriate changes to the responses thus far provided to questions from NRC staff. Based on the assumption that the new information will be acceptable, the schedule for issue of the DES will be changed to December 17, 1982. Corresponding changes will be effected in the schedules for comments on the DES and issuance of the FES.

Please contact Dr. N. P. Kadambi on (301)492-9607 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

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