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Docket Nos. 50-280/281 50-338/339

> Mrs. Nina R. Chesser, Secretary Botetourt County Chamber of Commerce, Troutville, Virginia 24175

Dear Mrs. Chesser:

Chairman Charles Curtis, Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has requested that I respond directly to you regarding your letter of June 26, 1980 addressed to Chairman Curtis.

Your letter on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Botetourt County Chamber of Commerce, Inc., Troutville, Virginia, requested information as to when the Virginia Electric and Power Company's (the licensee) nuclear plants will be operational.

The licensee's four (4) nuclear power plants are the Surry Nuclear Power Station, Units 1 and 2 (Surry 1 & 2), located in Surry County, Virginia; and the North Anna Power Station, Units 1 and 2 (NA-1 & 2), located in Louisa County, Virginia. Surry 1 & 2 are pressurized water reactors rated at 822 Megawatts electrical. NA-1 & 2 are also pressurized water reactors rated at 947 Megawatts electrical.

A status of Surry 1 & 2 and NA 1 & 2 plant operating schedules is provided below. (Note - The dates are subject to unexpected plant shutdowns and related slippage in work schedules.)

- Surry 1 is presently operating at 100 percent power. The licensee's schedule calls for an eleven (II) month plant shutdown commencing in late September 1980 in order to repair the steam generators.
- Surry 2 is presently operating at 100 percent power. The plant's next scheduled refueling outage will commence in mid February 1982 and the plant is scheduled for restart in mid April 1982.
- NA-1 is presently operating at 100 percent power. The plant's next scheduled refueling outage will commence in late November 1980 and the plant is scheduled for restart in mid January 1981.
- Was issued a license for fuel loading and low power testing by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) on April 11, 1980. This license permitted the licenses to achieve criticality and to operate at power levels not exceeding five percent of full power. The plant achieved criticality on June 12, 1980, and completed low power testing on July 9, 1980.

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Following completion of a successful emergency off-site exercise on August 16, 1980, the NRC issued a full power operating license for NA-2 on August 21, 1980. Full-scale commercial operation (100 percent power) is scheduled for mid September 1980. The plant's next scheduled refueling outage will commence in November 1981 and the plant is scheduled for restart in late January 1982.

I trust this information answers your question. A copy of this letter is being sent to Chairman Curtis.

Sincerely,

grand transmitter Committee and the

Harold R. Denton, Director Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation Botetourt County Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

Troutville, Virginia 24175 Telephone 992-1970

June 26, 1980

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PERMANENT BOARD MEMBER John B. Presion Dear Mr. Curtis:

Motion was made, seconded and carried at the June meeting of the Board of Directors of the Botetourt County Chamber of Commerce, Inc., that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission be encouraged to get Virginia Electric and Power Company's nuclear plants operational again when safety permits.

We shall look forward to response from the commission as to when we might expect these to be put into service.

Sincerely,

Mrs.) Wina R. Chesser

Secretary

Copy: The Honorable John Dalton, Sovernor, Commonwealth of Virginia
The Honorable Dudley J. Emick, State Senate
The Honorable William T. Wilson, House of Delegates

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