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Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555

Attention: Mr. Lester S. Rubinstein, Chief Light Water Reactor Branch No. 2

Re: Catawba Nuclear Station
Units 1 and 2
Docket Nos. 50-413 and 414
Duke File: CN-1412.11-1

Dear Mr. Denton:

This letter is to advise you of a change in the projected ruel loading and commercial operation dates for Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2. Catawba Unit 1 is now scheduled for fuel loading in April, 1983 with commercial operation following in July, 1983. Fuel loading of Unit 2 is scheduled for October, 1984 with commercial operation in January, 1985.

The above delays will necessitate an extension of the construction permits. The request for this extension with appropriate justification will to submitted at a later date.

Very truly yours,

L. C. Dail, Vice-President Design Engineering

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