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Mr. Brett A. Bursey
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Re: South Carolina Electric & Gas Company and
South Carolina Public Service Authority
(Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station) Docket
No. 50-395 OL

Dear Mr. Bursey:

At the conclusion of our informal meeting following the prehearing conference on November 25, 1980, you made a remark to the effect that you would be announcing in a press conference that you were pursuing five contentions in the NRC proceeding, (rather than the six discussed prior to and at the prehearing) and explained that you did not plan to discuss your ATWS contention.

It was not entirely clear to us whether you meant that you did not plan to feature the ATWS contention at your press conference or whether instead you meant that you did not plan to pursue the ATWS contention in the NRC proceeding. One member of our group is quite sure that you intended to advise us that you were dropping the ATWS contention in the NRC proceeding. If indeed that is the case, we, and, I am sure, the NRC Staff and the Licensing Board, would want to be advised at the earliest possible date.

For your convenience in replying, I have set forth below alternative responses confirming or denying that you are abandoning contention A3 pertaining to Anticipated Transients Without Scram. A duplicate copy is provided for your retention. In this instance, if you will simply mark the appropriate box

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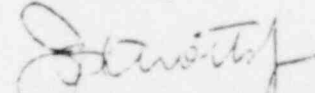
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and send one copy back to me*, I will be glad to see that the Board, the NRC Staff and others on the service list receive copies.

Sincerely,




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I, Brett A. Bursey, the intervenor in the captioned proceeding, wish to advise the Board and the Parties that:

I have decided to abandon my contention in this proceeding with regard to Anticipated Transients Without Scram (contention A3 in the Board's Order admitting contentions dated April 24, 1978).

I presently intend to pursue my ATWS contention in this proceeding.

(signed)


Brett A. Bursey

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Joe -
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