

NEGATIVE DECLARATION

SUPPORTING: EXTENSION OF CONSTRUCTION

PERMIT NOS. CPPR-116 AND CPPR-117 EXPIRATION DATES FOR

CATAWBA NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2

DUKE POWER COMPANY

NORTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY NUMBER 1

NORTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

SALUDA RIVER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

DOCKET NOS. 50-413 AND 50-414

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has reviewed the letter from Duke Power Company requesting an extension of the expiration dates of the construction permits for the Catawba Nuclear Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2 (C^oPR-116 and CPPR-117) which are located in York County in the State of South Carolina. The request is for an extension of the permits through March 1, 1984 for CPPR-116 and through September 1, 1985 for CPPR-117, to allow for completion of construction of the facilities.

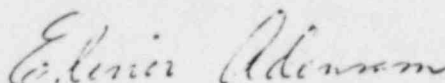
The Commission's Division of Licensing has prepared an environmental impact appraisal relative to these changes to CPPR-116 and CPPR-117. Based on this appraisal, the Commission has concluded that an environmental impact statement for this particular action is not warranted because there will be no significant environmental impact attributable to the proposed action other than that which has already been described in the Commission's Final Environmental Statement-Construction Permit Stage or evaluated in the environmental impact appraisal.

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The environmental impact appraisal is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. and at the York County Library, 325 South Oakland Avenue, Rock Hill, South Carolina 29730.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 4th day of June, 1981.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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