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Docket Nos. 50-413 and 50-414
License Nos. NPF-35 and NPF-52

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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-413/90-05, 50-414/90-05

This refers to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) inspection conducted by the resident inspectors on January 3-23, 1990. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your Catawba facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed inspection report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation of activities in progress.

The inspection findings indicate that certain activities appeared to violate NRC requirements. The violation described in the enclosed Inspection Report is under consideration for escalated enforcement action. Accordingly, no Notice of Violation is being issued at this time and no response to this letter is required. However, please be advised that the characterization of the violation described in the enclosed Inspection Report may change as a result of further NRC review. An Enforcement Conference to discuss this violation has been scheduled for February 22, 1990. You will be advised by separate correspondence of the results of our deliberations on this matter.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC'S "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC'S Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact us.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: (See page 2)

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