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Subject: Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2
Docket Nos. 50-413 and 50-414
Proposed Technical Specification Amendment
Technical Specification 4.9.4.2

Gentlemen:

Please find attached a proposed amendment to Technical Specification 4.9.4.2. This change will require that the laboratory test of the carbon samples from the Containment Purge System be tested per ASTM D3803-86, Test Method "A", with the exception to Test Method "A" that the test will be performed at 70% relative humidity instead of 95% relative humidity.

Attachment I contains the marked up TS pages. Attachment II contains a discussion, Technical Justification, no Significant Hazards Analysis, and an Environmental Impact Statement.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.91(b)(1) the appropriate South Carolina State Official is being provided a copy of this amendment request.

Very truly yours,

Hal B. Tucker

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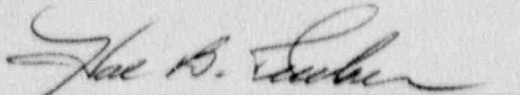
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Hal B. Tucker, being duly sworn, states that he is Vice President of Duke Power Company; that he is authorized on the part of said Company to sign and file with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission this revision to the Catawba Nuclear Station Technical Specifications, Appendix A to License Nos. NPF-35 and NPF-52; and that all statements and matters set forth therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge.

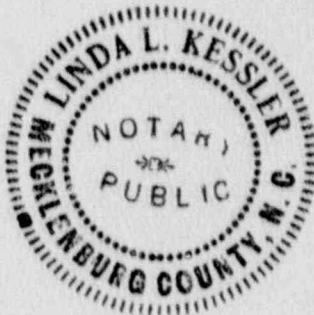

Hal B. Tucker, Vice President

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of April, 1990.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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ATTACHMENT I