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Dear Mr. Hickling:

By means of our letter to you dated October 26, 1981, we notified the Fish and Wildlife Service that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission had resumed its environmental review of the proposed Clinch River Breeder Plant (CRBRP) and we requested a current Federal list of threatened and endangered species which may be present in the site vicinity. Your response of November 5, 1981 provided that list.

We have completed our assessment of the impacts of the CRBRP on the threatened and endangered species identified in your letter and conclude that no adverse impact on these species, their continued existence, or critical habitats would result from construction and operation of this plant. Based on our assessment we also conclude that formal consultation with your agency, under provisions of the Endangered Species Act, is not necessary.

A copy of the assessment is enclosed. A copy of the Draft Supplement to NRC's 1977 Final Environmental Statement for CRBRP is being provided to you through the Department of the Interior Office of Environmental Project Review.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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