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Subject: Catawba Nuclear Station, Unit 2

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Seventeenth Quarterly Update to Startup Report

In accordance with Section 6.9.1.3 of the Catawba Nuclear Station Technical Specifications, find attached the seventeenth quarterly update to the Unit 2 Startup Report. As indicated in my November 15, 1990 letter, one test is not complete. Additional quarterly updates to the Startup Report will be submitted as required by the Technical Specifications.

Very truly yours,

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STARTUP REPORT QUARTERLY UPDATE CATAWBA UNIT 2 CYCLE 1 February 5, 1991

TESTING COMPLETED DURING QUARTER

None.

STATUS OF TESTING NOT COMPLETE

STEADY STATE PIPING SYSTEMS OPERATIONAL VIBRATION MEASUREMENT - TP/2/A/1200/21

This test was described in Sections 10.5 and 11.5 in the Startup Report. It is complete except for retesting of piping associated with the Diesel Generator Fuel Oil and Lube Oil systems. Additional restraints were installed during the EUC-1 refueling outage. However, further modifications were found to be necessary. Those modifications involved the replacement of rigid piping with flexible piping. Vibration testing following completion of the modification indicated that overall vibration levels had been reduced. However, vibration levels in isolated portions of the piping still exceed allowable criteria. These levels were evaluated and found to not constitute an imminent danger of failure. To resolve these isolated problems, modifications are planned which will result in a piping configuration similar to Unit 1. The modifications include replacement of non-standard fittings with standard fittings, deletion of unnecessary flanges, and valve relocation. Due to the extent of these modifications, they are scheduled for the Unit 2 EDC 4 refueling outage (fourth quarter 1991).