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## BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

In the Matter of

CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY
AND NORTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL
POWER AGENCY NO. 3

(Shearon Harris Nuclear Power
Plant, Units 1 and 2)

Docket Nos. 50-400 OL 50-401 OL

APPLICANTS' RESPONSE TO PETITION TO INTERVENE BY CONSERVATION COUNCIL OF NORTH CAROLINA

on January 27, 1982, notice was published in the Federal Register concerning the application of Carolina Power & Light Company and North Carolina Municipal Power Agency No. 3 (Applicants) for licenses to operate the Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2. The notice afforded interested persons an opportunity to request a hearing and to petition for leave to intervene.

On February 22, 1982, a petition to intervene was filed by the Conservation Council of North Carolina (CCNC). CCNC bases its interest on the interests of its members, some of whom reside, work and/or own property in the vicinity of the Harris Plant. CCNC asserts among other things that their interest would be affected by the possibility of a radiological accident and by radioactive releases from the Plant. The specific

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8203080041 820303 PDR ADDCK 05000400 G PDR aspects of the proceeding as to which CCNC wishes to intervene include unresolved safety issues and emergency planning. To this extent CCNC has in Applicants' view sufficiently stated an interest in the proceeding to meet the initial requirements for intervention under Section 2.714 of the Commission's Rules of Practice.

CCNC has alleged other interests and effects upon those interests, some of which in Applicants' view are not cognizable in an NRC operating license proceeding. Applicants propose, however, to await the formulation of CCNC's contentions pursuant to Section 2.714(b) and to address at that time the allowability of the contentions, including their relationship to an interest cognizable in the proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of "Applicants' Response to Petition to Intervene by Conservation Council of North Carolina," dated March 3, 1982, were served upon the following persons by deposit in the United States mail, postage prepaid, this 3d day of March, 1982.

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