

February 9, 1983

Samuel J. Chilk  
Secretary of the Commission  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

In the Matter of  
DUKE POWER COMPANY, et al.  
(Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2)  
Docket Nos. 50-413, 50-414

Dear Secretary Chilk:

By Order of December 23, 1982 in the captioned proceeding the Commission determined to review sua sponte the decision of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Appeal Board in ALAB-687, 16 NRC \_\_\_\_, slip op. (August 19, 1982). The Commission afforded the parties below the opportunity to file initial briefs no later than 30 days after the date of its Order and reply briefs no later than 50 days after that date. The Staff has reviewed the initial briefs filed by the other parties, Palmetto Alliance and Applicants, and believes the Staff's position is fully presented in its initial brief. Therefore, the Staff has decided not to file a reply brief.

Sincerely,

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