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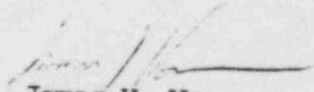
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MEMORANDUM FOR: C. E. Alderson, Director, Enforcement Staff
FROM: J. Y. Vorse, Director, OI:RII
SUBJECT: FALSIFICATION OF HYDROTEST
FACILITY: Shearon Harris Nuclear Plant
DATE ALLEGATION RECEIVED: November 8, 1982
INQUIRY NO. 2Q2-026
CASE NO. None

Information was provided to the OI staff which is set forth in the enclosure. During the course of the inquiry, no information was developed which would indicate further OI interest. Therefore, the information is provided to you for any action you deem appropriate.

If Region II conducts related inspection effort and information is developed which would, in your view, be of OI interest, please inform this office.


James Y. Vorse

Enclosure:
Report of Inquiry

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REPORT OF INQUIRY

OFFICE OF ORIGIN: Atlanta Field Office
FILE NO. 202-026
DATE OF INQUIRY: 10/19/82 - 11/8/82
STATUS: CLOSED
PREPARED BY: E. L. Williamson
DATE PREPARED: 10/9/82
SUBJECT: HARRIS: REQUEST FOR INQUIRY - FALSIFICATION OF HYDROTEST

On November 8, 1982, [Wells Eddleman of Durham, NC] was contacted regarding a letter he had written to the NRC, Commission Secretary, Samuel J. Child, date stamped September 28, 1982, wherein [Mr. Eddleman] stated that he was told "the testing piping on some of the stainless steel vessels was welded shut inside the pipe so that pressure tests would seem okay even though the vessels and piping involved would actually leak". This activity allegedly had taken place at the Duke Power Company's (DPC) Shearon Harris plant near Durham, NC.

During the telephone conversation, [Mr. Eddleman] said that he did not know the individual's name who provided the information to him and, if he did, he would not disclose it to the NRC. He stated that all the NRC needs to know is that the pipes mentioned are faulty and should be inspected. [Mr. Eddleman] did not have anything else to say regarding the concerns mentioned in his letter.

On November 10, 1982, Carl Alderson, Director, Enforcement Staff, and RII:OI interface was advised of the foregoing and that OI:RII did not plan any further investigative action on this matter.