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Duke Power Company ATTN: Mr. H. B. Tucker, Vice President Nuclear Production Department 422 South Church Street Charlotte, NC 28242

Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: REPORT NOS. 50-413/84-59 AND 50-414/84-28

The NRC Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) Board has completed its periodic evaluation of the performance of the subject facility. The Catawba facility was evaluated for the period May 1, 1983 through February 29, 1984. The results of the evaluation are documented in the enclosed SALP Board Assessment. In the past, as a part of the SALP program, we have routinely met with Duke Power Company officials to discuss the results of the SALP Board's evaluation. The format of the SALP program has recently been revised so that this meeting is no longer a requirement, but may be held as a public meeting at the discretion of the licensee or NRC. In consideration of this revised format, please contact this office within ten days of the date of this letter to discuss the need for a meeting.

The performance of your Catawba facility was evaluated in the construction functional areas of containment and other safety-related structures, piping systems and supports, support systems, electrical power supply and distribution, instrumentation and control systems, licensing activities, and the quality assurance program. Preoperational testing performance was evaluated in the functional areas of preoperational testing, the operational quality assurance program, emergency preparedness, and operator licenisng. The SALP Board's evaluation of your performance in these functional areas is contained in the SALP Board Assessment which is enclosed with this letter.

The SALP Board evaluation process consists of categorizing the performance and the performance trend in each functional area. The categories which we have used to evaluate the performance and the performance trend of your facility are defined in section II of the enclosed SALP Board Assessment. Any comments which you have concerning our evaluation should be submitted to this office within twenty days following the date of this letter.

Your comments, if any, and the SALP Board Assessment, will both appear as enclosures to the Region II Administrator's letter which issues the SALP Board Assessment as an NRC Report. In addition to the issuance of the assessment, this letter will, if appropriate, state the NRC position on matters relating to the status of your safety programs.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 (a), a copy of this letter, the enclosure and your response, if any, will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room unless you notify this office, by telephone, within ten days following the date of this letter, and submit written application to withhold information contained therein within twenty days following the date of this letter. Such application must be consistent with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.790 (b)(1).

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, we will be glad to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

Richard C. Lewis, Director Division of Reactor Projects Region II SALP Board Chairman

Enclosure: SALP Board Assessment for Catawba

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