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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk Washington, D. C. 20555

Subject:

Catawba Nuclear Station

Docket Nos. 50-413 and 50-414

Proposed Technical Specifications Change (Tables 3.6-1 and 3.6-2a)

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.4 and 10 CFR 50.90, attached are license amendment requests to Appendix A, Technical Specifications, of Facility Operating Licenses NPF-35 and NPF-52 for Duke Power Company's Catawba Nuclear Station Units 1 and 2 respectively.

The requested amendment deletes reference to process penetration M308 (Return from Upper Containment Ventilation Units) in Technical Specifications Table 3.6-1 (Secondary Containment Bypass Leakage Paths). The proposed amendment also deletes the associated containment isolation valves RN-429A (Return from Upper Containment Ventilation Units Containment Isolation - Inside) and RN-432B (Return from Upper Containment Ventilation Units Containment Isolation - Outside) from Table 3.6-2a (Unit 1 Containment Isolation Valves) and Table 3.6-2b (Unit 2 Containment Isolation Valves).

Both units' containment process penetration M308 and associated containment isolation valves are currently not in service and serve no function other than providing containment integrity. Duke Power Company plans to implement modifications for both units to remove containment isolation valves RN-429A and RN-432B of penetration M308, remove associated wiring and control room instrumentation to maintain compliance with NUREGs 0700 and 0737, and cut / cap tubing providing Containment Valve Injection Water to these containment isolation valves during Unit 1 refueling outage 1EOC9 (currently scheduled to begin June, 1996) and Unit 2 refueling outage 2EOC8 (currently scheduled to begin March, 1997). The Technical Specifications must be revised to delete these containment isolation valves and associated equipment to permit implementation of these modifications. Therefore, it is requested that the NRC review and approval of these proposed amendments be completed by May 15, 1996, such that the appropriate procedures changes can be initiated prior to Unit 1 refueling outage 1EOC9.

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Attachment 1.A contains the marked-up Technical Specification amendment pages of the current Catawba Technical Specifications. Catawba's Technical Specifications will soon be divided into two (2) volumes, the first volume specific only to Unit 1 and the second volume specific only to Unit 2. This is necessary due to the planned Unit 1 steam generator replacement in June, 1996. The Catawba divided Technical Specifications amendment was submitted to your staff July 18, 1994 and may be approved prior to NRC approval of this proposed Technical Specification amendment. Therefore, Attachment 1.B contains the affected Technical Specifications pages as they will appear in the divided Technical Specifications. Attachment 2 contains a background and description of the enclosed amendment request. Attachment 3 describes changes to the Technical Specifications and the technical justification. Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.91, Attachment 4 provides the analysis performed in accordance with the standards contained in 10 CFR 50.92 which concludes that the requested amendments do not involve a significant hazards consideration. Attachment 4 also contains an environmental impact analysis for the requested amendments. Attachment 5 provides a detailed sketch of modified process penetration M308. Duke Power Company is forwarding a copy of this amendment request package to the appropriate South Carolina state official.

Should there be any questions concerning this amendment request or should additional information be required, please contact Jeff Lowery at (803) 831-3414.

Sincerely,

W. R. McCollum, Site Vice-President

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Attachments

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Max Batavia, Chief Bureau of Radiological Health South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control 2600 Bull Street Columbia, South Carolina 29207 W. R. McCollum, being duly sworn, states that he is Vice-President of Duke Power Company; that he is authorized on the part of said Company to sign and file with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission this revision to the Catawba Nuclear Station License Nos. NPF-35 and NPF-52 and that all statements and matters set forth therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge.

W. R. McCollum, Site Vice-President

Catawba Nuclear Station

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of January, 1996.

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