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Duke Power Company ATTN: Mr. M. S. Tuckman Vice President, Catawba Site 4800 Concord Road York, SC 29745-9635

Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: SYSTEMATIC ASSESSMENT OF LICENSEE PERFORMANCE (NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-413/92-10 AND 50-414/92-10)

The NRC Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP, has been completed for your Catawba facility. The facility's performance was evaluated for the period February 3, 1991, through May 2, 1992, in the functional areas of Plant Operations, Radiological Controls Martenance/Surveillance, Emergency Preparedness, Security, Engineering/Technical Support, and Safety Assessment/Quality Verification. The results of the evaluation are documented in the enclosed Initial SALP Report which will be discussed with you at a public meeting to be held at the Catawba facility on July 14, 1992, at 10:00 a.m.

The performance of Catawba was assessed as being superior in the functional areas of Radiological Controls, Emergency Preparedness, and Security. Performance in the other functional areas was categorized as good. The assessment indicates that configuration control of plant systems continues to be a problem, a recurring theme from the previous assessment. Further, it appears that inattention to detail and procedure weaknesses are major contributors to the problem. The assessment recommends that additional management attention be placed on weaknesses noted in the Jicensed operator training program which were also similar to those found during the previous program evaluation.

Any comments you have concerning our evaluation of the performance of your Catawba facility should be submitted to this office within 30 days following the date of our meeting. These comments will be considered in the development of the Final SALP Report. Your comments and a summary of our meeting will be issued as an appendix to the Final SALP Report.

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

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Initial Salp Report - Catawba

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