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Mr. J. Troup U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Regional Administrator, Region II 101 Marietta Street, Suite 3100 Atlanta, GA 30303

Dear Mr. Troup:

Enclosed please find a draft of a report entitled, "Catawba Socket Weld Evaluation. This report encompasses the field metallographic work done at BNL as well as a trip report to the Catawba site to observe their technique for field metallography.

The utility's procedures and techniques are consistent with good metallographic practice and I believe that any results obtained by the utility with these techniques would be representative of actual field conditions.

If there are any questions, please contact me at the above number.

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