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Subject: Catawba Nuclear Station

Docket Nos. 50-413 and 50-414

Dear Mr. Denton:

In response to Mr. Charles Gaskins, (NRC/NMSS), questions concerning the security portion of the Safety Evaluation Report (SER) for Catawba Nuclear Station (Unit 2), the following is provided.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.34(c), Duke Power Company submitted the Catawba Nuclear Station Security Plan dated June 29, 1981, which outlined Duke's plans to provide physical protection for Units 1 and 2 in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 73.55.

Beginning on July 18, 1984, the NRC approved Catawba Nuclear Station Security Plan, Revision 5 Additional Pages, dated June 25, 1984 was implemented for Unit 1 only since Unit 2 was still in the construction phase. Since July 18, 1984 interim security measures have been implemented which included the use of an interim barrier to separate Unit 1 from Unit 2. These interim measures are detailed in the Catawba Nuclear Station Security Plan, Revision 7 dated November 28, 1984 in Chapter 10.0 Construction Operations.

Based on current scheduling, Duke Power Company plans to incorporate Unit 2 into the security protected area during October 1985. As part of this transition, Duke Power Company plans to submit a revision to the Catawba Nuclear Station Security Flan to delete the interim barrier requirements.

Physical protection measures (including vital area protection) will be fully implemented for Unit 2 prior to the receipt of an operating license.

Very truly yours,

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