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MEMORANDUM FOR: File

FROM:

Patrick McKenna, Jr., Investigator Office of Inspector and Auditor

SUBJECT: CATAWBA NUCLEAR POWER STATION: REVIEW OF NRC 6.1 P ellagelions HANDLING OF ALLEGATIONS agained Sconge may well, SRI.

On September 8, 1983, Roger Fortuna, Deputy Director, OI, came to my office to advise me of a telephone conversation he had that date with Ms. Billie Pirner Garde, Government Accountability Project (GAP), Institute for Policy Studies.

Fortuna described information related by Garde relative to subject captioned investigation advising that the GAP report on the same subject is ready to be written. Garde reportedly advised, in her conversation with Fortuna, that George Maxwell, former Senior Resident Inspector, Catawba NPS, had been contacted by Duke Power and Light Company (licensee) personnel regarding concerns at Catawba. Garde contents that the information which was provided to Maxwell was referred to Duke which compromised the identity of the individual(s) who had approached Maxwell.

Garde explained to Fortuna that she learned this information from a deposition which was obtained from Mr. Larry Davidson, Duke QA Supervisor at Catawba. Reportedly, during recent Hearings which were held by the Palmetto Alliance, this testimony was provided by Davidson.

I informed Fortuna that I was aware of the recent Hearings which had been held by Palmetto, circa late May early June 1983. In addition, I informed him that Maxwell is no longer the SRI at Catawba, but is currently assigned as the SRI at Shearon Harris NPS, Raleigh, North Carolina. Fortuna relatedly that he was merely relating a conversation with Garde for whatever, action OIA may deem appropriate.

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