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Docket No: 50-414

Mr. L. C. Dail, Vice President Design Engineering Department Duke Power Company P. O. Box 33189 Charlotte, North Carolina 28242

Dear Mr. Dail:

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FOR CATAWBA NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 2

Your letter of May 15, 1978, supplemented by your letter of September 11, 1978, transmitted an application for an amendment to the Catawba-2 Construction Permit to add the North Carolina Municipal Power Agency Number 1 (NCMPA-1) as a co-owner of this facility. In accordance with ALAB-459, we have construed that application to include NCMPA-1 as a co-applicant as well as a co-owner.

We have reviewed your application and have concluded that NCMPA-1 is financially qualified to participate in the ownership of Catawba-2, and that inclusion of NCMPA-1 as a co-owner and co-applicant does not involve a significant hazards consideration, does at constitute an unreasonable risk to the health and safety of the public, and is not inimical to the common defense and security. The bases for these conclusions are set forth in the enclosed Safety Evaluation.

We have also concluded that there will be no environmental impact attributable to the proposed action that was not considered in our Final Environmental Statement and the applicable ASLB and ALAB decisions, and that therefore no environmental impact statement need be prepared for the proposed action. The bases for these conclusions are set forth in the enclosed environmental impact appraisal. Also enclosed is the applicable negative declaration.

Enclosed are Amendment No. 1 to CPPR-117 for Catawba-2 which reflects the changes discussed above, and a copy of a related notice which has been forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,

Roger S. Boyd, Director

Division of Project Management Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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Enclosures:

Safety Evaluation
 Negative Declaration

3. Environmental Impact Appraisal

4. Amendment 1 to CPPR-117 5. Federal Register Notice CCs: William H. Grigg, Esq. Duke Power Company P. O. Box 2178 Charlotte, North Carolina 28242

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