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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk Washington, DC 20555

Gentlemen:

As discussed during our two conference calls this date, July 18, 1988, Carolina Power & Light reports that the corrective actions to be completed on Unit 1 and described in our letter of July 15, 1988, have been properly completed. The analysis required to support plant modifications for the removal of starting resistors discussed in CP&L's commitment letter will be completed on July 19, 1988 Unit 1 and July 20, 1988 Unit 2.

IEB-85-03 evaluation will be completed concurrent with the design evaluation of the plant's safety related motor operated valves. This effort will be completed by December 31, 1988, and the review of SOER-84-07 will be completed by August 2, 1988, as previously committed.

We have reviewed with you in detail, by telephone, today the nature of the equipment failures associated with shutdown of Unit 1 during the period July 13-15 and have further described the corrective actions that have been taken including those actions which have been completed and those underway.

These equipment failures and other matters, which we have discussed, have been thoroughly reviewed from the standpoint of their significance both as separate events and as representative of certain management issues and concerns. In general, these management issues we have identified pertain to more effective analysis, decision making, implementation of corrective actions, and monitoring of events and plant activities, as well as the successful development and completion of necessary programs and oversight to assure continued safe operations of the Brunswick Plant in keeping with requirements of our license and appropriate regulatory requirements.

In order to further assure the continued long term operation of the plant in compliance with regulatory requirements we are initiating the development of a comprehensive "long term management oversight plan". In the development of this plan we will be utilizing outside expertise with appropriate qualifications

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and experience. We also anticipate utilizing the full benefit of our corporate resources and those of the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations. We expect to complete the initial statement of the plan on or before August 1, 1988, and will deliver it to the Office of the Regional Administrator and shortly thereafter will request a conference for the purpose of reviewing our long term objectives and plans.

Further, in the short term, pending the development of other arrangements and our long term plan, we are providing strengthened additional management oversight at the Brunswick P'ant by stationing Mr. Russ Starkey, Manager of Nuclear Safety and Environmental Services, who has extensive nuclear management experience. His responsibilities will include both assistance at the plant and managerial oversight as directed.

As the licensee responsible for the operation of the plant, we of course, will continue to exercise such other management actions and initiatives as to us may be deemed necessary and appropriate in carrying out our responsibilities.

We assure you of our continued ability and commitment to meet the requirements for the safe and reliable operation of the Brunswick Plant in accordance with regulatory requirements.

Very truly yours,

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