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ATTENTION: Mr. Dale Overcash

SUBJECT: McGuire Nuclear Station
NPDES Permit Modification
File: MC-702.13

Dear Sir:

On September 27, 1987 we requested that the McGuire Nuclear Station NPDES permit (NC0024392) be modified. The requested modifications included (1) re-permitting the Collection Basin, (2) allowing very low-level radioactivity to be discharged into the Catawba River below Cowans Ford Dam, and (3) applying for a Clean Water Act Section 311 exemption. On April 1, 1988 we amended the modification request by (1) withdrawing part 2 of the request and (2) requesting that our instream administrative limit for hydrazine be incorporated into Part III of the NPDES permit.

After recent discussions with your staff, we request to postpone the Section 311 exemption. We will discuss the Section 311 exemption with your staff later. However, we would appreciate action on the request to re-permit the Collection Basin and to incorporate the instream administrative limit into the permit.

Once developed, we would appreciate the opportunity to discuss the draft permit with you prior to it going to public notice. Should you have any questions or desire additional information, please contact R.T. Simril, [(704) 373-2310] or M.C. Griggs [(704) 373-7080].

Sincerely,

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