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In the Matter of
DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION
(Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2)
Docket Nos. 50-413-OLA and 414-OLA

Dear Administrative Judges:

In response to the Board's order of November 20, 2003, enclosed please find a copy of BAW-10227A, evaluation of Advanced Cladding and Structural Material (M5) in PWR Reactor Fuel found at ADAMS, ML003686365. The first 39 pages contain the NRC staff's evaluation.

Sincerely,

/RA/
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Enclosures: As Stated

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