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H. B. ROBINSON UNIT NO. 2
BRUNSWICK STEAM ELECTRIC PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2
DOCKET NOS. 50-261, 50-325, AND 50-324
LICENSE NOS. DPR-23, DPR-71, AND DPR-62
RESPONSE TO IE BULLETIN 79-16

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

In response to your letter of July 26, 1979, transmitting IE Bulletin 79-16 concerning vital area access controls, Carolina Power & Light Company submits the following response.

As delineated in the approved, modified amended security plans for H. B. Robinson and Brunswick Steam Electric Plants, personnel granted unescorted access to protected and vital access areas are subjected to a screening program meeting ANSI N 18.17/Review Guideline No. 1 standards. Furthermore, granting of access to vital areas is based on the need for access in order to perform assigned work. Pursuant to the provisions of IE Bulletin and in consonance with the security plan, personnel will be granted vital area access based on a need to enter vital areas to perform assigned work. When the requirement for vital area access no longer exists, vital area access shall be withdrawn. The Access List shall continue to be reviewed at least every 31 days for validity. When an individual no longer meets the provisions of ANSI N 18.17, or the requirement for vital area access no longer exists, the individual shall not be granted vital area access; and the computer memory is appropriately modified.

Evaluation of procedures involving safe operation and emergency procedures is an ongoing and continuing effort. It is believed that tailgating can be most effectively controlled by a continuing education and training program to ensure that all personnel granted unescorted access to vital areas are aware of tailgating and their

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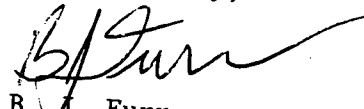
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present responsibilities to prevent tailgating by others. Carolina Power & Light Company's Corporate Quality Assurance program presently includes an audit of the security program. Henceforth, an audit item will be included to ensure examination of the vital area access control. Routine functional tests of the electronic access control system are currently being conducted at least once every seven days.

We trust that the above information satisfies the request contained in IE Bulletin 79-16.

Yours very truly,



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cc: NRC Office of Inspection and Enforcement
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