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Sent: Friday, April 22, 2016 8:05 AM
To: 'Rudy, Lawrence J'; 'Fletcher II, Cecil Alexander'
Subject: DRAFT RAIs RE: Catawba LAR to Permanently Extend Type A and Type C Leak Rate Test Frequencies (CAC Nos.MF7265 and MF7266)
Attachments: Containment LRIT LAR DRAFT RAIs.pdf

SUBJECT: Catawba Nuclear Station DRAFT RAIs Re: License Amendment Request to Revise TS Section 5.5.2 for Permanent Extension of Type A and Type C Leak Rate Test Frequencies (CAC Nos.MF7265 and MF7266)

Mr. Rudy,

By letter dated January 18, 2016 (ADAMS Accession No. ML16026A048), Duke Energy Carolinas, Inc., (the licensee) submitted an LAR for the Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2 (Catawba). The LAR proposes to revise Catawba Technical Specification Section 5.5.2, "Containment Leakage Rate Testing Program", for Permanent Extension of Type A and Type C Integrated Leakage Rate Test (ILRT) Frequencies. Specifically, the LAR proposes to increase the existing Type A ILRT program test interval from 10 years to 15 years and to increase the existing Type C containment isolation valve leakage testing frequency from 60 months to 75 months.

The NRC staff has reviewed the information submitted by the licensee, and based on this review, determined additional information is required to complete the assessment of the license amendment request. Please find attached a DRAFT copy of the NRC staff's additional information request. These DRAFT RAIs are being sent to you to ensure that the questions are understandable, the regulatory basis for the questions are clear, and to determine if the information was previously docketed. Please notify me by Tuesday, April 26, 2016, if you desire to hold a teleconference to discuss the questions. The NRC staff will request a response to the RAIs within 30 days of the formal NRC RAI transmittal memorandum.

Thank you,

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