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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD



In the Matter of)
DUKE POWER COMPANY, et al.)
(Catawba Nuclear Station,)
Units 1 and 2))

Docket Nos. 50-413
50-414

TESTIMONY OF ROBERT J. ROGERS

- 1 Q. STATE YOUR NAME AND YOUR WORK ADDRESS.
2 A. Robert Jimmy Rogers, Catawba Nuclear Station, P.O. Box 233
3 Clover, S.C. 29710. However in the near future I will leave Duke
4 Power and go to work for the Postal Department in McAdville, N.C.
5 Q. WHAT IS YOUR PRESENT JOB WITH DUKE POWER COMPANY?
6 A. A-Inspector, Ultrasonics in the Aux. Bldg.
7 Q. SUMMARIZE YOUR EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS, INCLUDING
8 OTHER NON-DUKE JOBS, EDUCATION, CERTIFICATIONS, AND
9 COMPANY SPONSORED COURSES AND TRAINING.
10 A. I have been an inspector at Catawba since 1979 in the NDE
11 Department. Before this I was a construction utility man at
12 Catawba. Prior to working for Duke I have worked for three
13 different trucking lines doing dock work, and in a cotton mill as a
14 fixer and a supervisor. I have a two year degree in Police
15 Science, Liberal Arts Degree.
16 Q. WHAT OTHER JOB POSITIONS HAVE YOU HELD WITH DUKE POWER
17 COMPANY?
18 A. Construction Utility Man
19 Q. ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH WHAT IS COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS
20 THE WELDING INSPECTOR CONCERNS WHICH WERE EXPRESSED IN
21 LATE 1981/EARLY 1982?

1 A. Generally I am aware of the concerns.

2 Q. WHAT IS YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT THESE CONCERNS
3 WERE?

4 A. While I am not sure exactly what their concerns were I think these
5 concerns were about wages, and lack of management support.

6 Q. DID YOU EXPRESS ANY CONCERNS AS A WELDING INSPECTOR TO
7 ANY OF THE TASK FORCES OR TO DUKE POWER MANAGEMENT?

8 A. No.

9 Q. DID YOU FEEL FREE TO EXPRESS ALL OF YOUR CONCERNS?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. DID YOU ATTEND ANY MEETINGS WITH TASK FORCE AND/OR QA
12 MANAGEMENT MEMBERS WHERE THE TASK FORCE FINDINGS,
13 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS WERE DISCUSSED?

14 A. No.

15 Q. WERE THERE ANY CHANGES MADE IN THE QA PROGRAM AFTER
16 THE WELDING INSPECTOR CONCERNS AND THE TASK FORCE
17 INVESTIGATION OF THESE CONCERNS?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. DESCRIBE THE CHANGES OF WHICH YOU ARE AWARE IN THE QA
20 PROGRAM.

21 A. The only changes I remember were that they made some supervisor
22 changes. There may have been other changes, but I was not a
23 welding inspector and therefore was not that concerned.

24 Q. TO WHAT EXTENT HAVE THESE CHANGES ADDRESSED ISSUES
25 RAISED BY THE WELDING INSPECTOR CONCERNS?

26 A. I don't know.

27 Q. THE WELDING INSPECTOR CONCERNS HAVE BEEN
28 CHARACTERIZED AS CONCERNS ABOUT THE QUALITY AND

1 SAFETY OF CONSTRUCTION AT CATAWBA. DO YOU AGREE OR
2 DISAGREE WITH THAT CHARACTERIZATION?

3 A. I thought that the welding inspectors concerns involved wages and
4 management, not the quality and safety of construction.

5 Q. IN YOUR VIEW, HAS THE QA PROGRAM BEEN EFFECTIVE WHILE
6 YOU HAVE WORKED AS AN INSPECTOR AT CATAWBA?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. ARE YOU AWARE OF ANY DEFICIENCIES IN CONSTRUCTION IN
9 THE QA PROGRAM WHICH WOULD CAUSE YOU TO QUESTION
10 WHETHER CATAWBA IS SAFELY BUILT?

11 A. No.

12 Q. IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD TO YOUR
13 TESTIMONY?

14 A. No.

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18 I hereby certify that I have read and understand this document, and
19 believe it to be my true, accurate and complete testimony.

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Robert J. Rogers
Robert J. Rogers

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25 Sworn to and subscribed before me
26 this 20th day of September, 1983.

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Linda M. LeGrande
Notary Public

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