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Washington, D. C. 20555

Attention: Ms. E. G. Adensam, Chief
Licensing Branch No. 4

Re: Catawba Nuclear Station, Unit 1
Docket No. 50-413

Dear Mr. Denton:

License Condition 10 of Facility Operating License NPF-35 requires that "Duke Power Company (DPC) shall have a licensed senior operator on each shift who has had at least six months of hot operating experience on a similar type plant, including at least six weeks at power levels greater than 20% of full power, and who has had startup and shutdown experience." The license condition further requires that the NRC be notified at least 30 days prior to the proposed release of the advisors from further service.

This is to advise that the experience requirements of License Condition 10 will be met for 3 of the 4 shifts on or before April 3, 1985 and on the remaining shift on April 17, 1985. It is therefore our intent to discontinue the use of Shift Advisors on those respective dates.

In regards to the related matter of four versus five 12-hour shift rotation, my letter of November 12, 1984 advised that it was our intent to go to five 12-hour shifts in the March-April, 1985 time frame. Soon after the release of the last Shift Advisor on April 17, 1985, we will begin the transition to five 12-hour shifts. This transition should be complete in early May, 1985.

Very truly yours,

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