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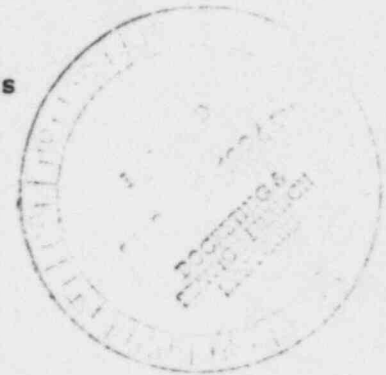


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SUBJECT: Interim Findings on Offsite Radiological Emergency Response
Preparedness (RERP) for the Catawba Nuclear Station

Attached is a copy of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Interim Findings on the adequacy of offsite RERP for the Catawba Nuclear Station. The Interim Findings Report, dated April 17, 1984, was prepared by FEMA Region IV and transmitted to FEMA Headquarters on April 18, 1984. A copy is being forwarded to the State of South Carolina and the State of North Carolina for their use in upgrading the offsite RERP for the Catawba Nuclear Station.

The State of South Carolina, and York County, and the State of North Carolina, and Gaston and Mecklenberg Counties, which are located in the 10-mile plume emergency planning zone (EPZ), have developed plans and participated in the first full participation exercise conducted February 15-16, 1984.

The January 1984 revisions of the two State and the three local plans were reviewed by the FEMA Region IV Regional Assistance Committee (RAC) on March 21, 1984. The RAC's comments on the revised plans were provided to the States on March 23, 1984. Plan changes and/or a schedule of corrective actions from each State are expected to be received at FEMA Region IV early this month.

Based on a review of the above information, FEMA finds that the States' and local emergency plans are capable of being implemented, and the exercise demonstrated that the offsite preparedness is adequate to provide reasonable assurance that appropriate measures can be taken to protect the health and safety of the public living in the vicinity of the Catawba Nuclear Station in the event of a radiological emergency.

If you have any questions on the above, please contact Mr. Robert S. Wilkerson, Chief, Technological Hazards Division, at 287-0200.

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