

October 7, 1966

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SUBJECT: NRC INTEGRATED INSPECTION REPORT 50-413/96-13 AND 50-414/96-13  
NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. McCollum:

On September 7, 1996, the NRC completed an inspection at your Catawba Nuclear Station. The enclosed report presents the results of that inspection.

A conservative operational approach was noted in two instances. First, when water seepage was identified in the vicinity of buried Nuclear Service Water piping, Unit 2 startup was delayed until the source was identified and repaired. Secondly, when a Residual Heat Removal pump motor failed, refueling was not initiated until the pump could be returned to an operable status although Technical Specifications would have allowed refueling with the pump unavailable.

Violations of NRC requirements were also identified by the NRC inspectors. These violations are cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice), and the circumstances surrounding the violations are described in detail in the enclosed report. Please note that you are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. The NRC will use your response, in part, to determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room

Sincerely,

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Docket Nos. 50-413 and 50-414  
License Nos. NPF-35 and NPF-52

Enclosures: 1. Notice of Violation  
2. NRC Inspection Report 50-413/96-13, 50-414/96-13

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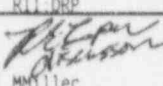
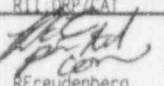

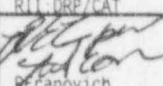
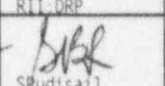
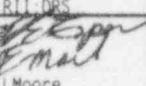
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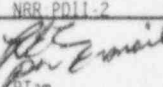
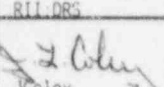
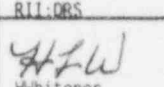
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