

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSIONDOCKET NOS. 50-413 AND 50-414DUKE POWER COMPANY, ET AL.CATAWBA NUCLEAR STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2ISSUANCE OF DIRECTOR'S DECISION UNDER 10 CFR 2.206

Notice is hereby given that the Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, has taken action with regard to a Petition for action under 10 CFR 2.206 received from Mr. Charles Morris (Petitioner), dated February 13, 1996, as supplemented May 1, 1996, with regard to the Catawba Nuclear Station.

The Petitioner requested the NRC to suspend the operating licenses for the Catawba Nuclear Station and "some ten other licensees with uncoordinated breakers" (not specifically identified in his initial Petition) until the lack of circuit breaker coordination has been remedied. Mr. Morris also requested that enforcement conferences be held on these cases and that Catawba be defueled. Mr. Morris also asked that the NRC take enforcement action against Catawba for operating with a "known safety deficiency of which they did not inform the NRC."

The Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation has denied the Petition. The reasons for this decision are explained in the "Director's Decision Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.206" (DD-96-14), the complete text of which follows this notice and which is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document Room for the Catawba Nuclear Station located at the York County Library, 138 East Black Street, P. O. Box 10032, Rock Hill, South Carolina.

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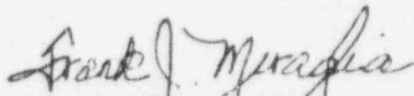
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A copy of this Decision has been filed with the Secretary of the Commission for the Commission's review in accordance with 10 CFR 2.206(c) of the Commission's regulations. As provided by this regulation, this Decision will constitute the final action of the Commission 25 days after the date of issuance unless the Commission, on its own motion, institutes review of the Decision within that time.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 10th day of October, 1996.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Frank J. Miraglia". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Frank" and last name "Miraglia" clearly distinguishable.

Frank J. Miraglia, Acting Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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