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Bill Holman  
North Carolina Department of Environment  
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TO:

Travers, EDO

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ROUTING:

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC MEETING ON THE LICENSE  
AMENDMENT REQUEST FILED BY CAROLINA POWER  
AND LIGHT COMPANY

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DUE TO NRR DIRECTOR'S OFFICE  
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NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF  
ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

December 17, 1999

William D. Travers  
Executive Director of Operations  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555-0001

Dear Dr. Travers:

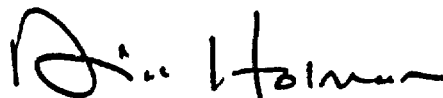
For almost a year this Department has been encouraging your agency to come to Raleigh, North Carolina and hold a public meeting on the license amendment request filed by Carolina Power and Light Company (CP&L) to double the spent nuclear fuel storage capacity at their Shearon Harris nuclear power plant.

Through discussion between members of my staff and representatives of your agency and CP&L, we have tried to explain why we believe it would be helpful if all parties involved in this proposal could meet together in an open meeting. Public agencies, state and local governments, elected and appointed officials, public citizens, the news media, as well as special interest groups have all raised issues relating to this amendment request. I believe the NRC conducting a public meeting on these matters can best address these issues. This would provide CP&L an opportunity to explain the need for their amendment request, the need to transport these materials from out-of-state facilities, and the safety analysis that went into their determination that the larger amount of spent fuel can be safely stored at their reactor. It would also provide an opportunity for NRC to discuss its license amendment review process, the results of that review for this particular amendment request as well as the safety analyses that have gone into the amendment review.

I realize the possible legal complication associated with the current action before the Atomic Safety Licensing Board may affect the timing of such a public meeting. However, I want to urge you and your agency to conduct this meeting as soon as all of the issues can be discussed. This would allow you to be more publicly open and transparent in your evaluation of this license amendment request.

Details of the meeting can be worked out with the assistance of all parties concerned. This department would be pleased to assist you in planning the logistics and format of such a meeting.

Sincerely,



Bill Holman

cc: Luis Reyes, NRC, Region II Administrator  
Richard Laufer, NRC, NRR Project Manager  
C. S. Hinnant, CP&L

