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Mr. Terry M. Wilkerson Manager - Regulatory Affairs Carolina Power & Light Company Robinson Nuclear Plant 3581 West Entrance Road Hartsville, SC 29550

Dear Mr. Wilkerson:

This is in regard to your request dated March 24, 1997, for two rail routes to be used for transport of spent fuel from the Brunswick Steam Electric Plant. Southport, North Carolina, and the H. B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant, Hartsville, South Carolina, to the Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant, near New Hill, South Carolina.

The routes, as set forth in Enclosure 1 of each route, meet the regulatory requirements of 10 CFR 73.37. Enclosure 2 of each route constitutes the route approval. Unless renewed, these route approvals will expire two years from the date of this letter. Note that transportation of licensed radioactive material must be conducted in compliance with applicable U.S. Department of Transportation regulations.

Note that 10 CFR 73.37(d)(3) requires rail shipments to be accompanied by escorts who have communications capability to summon assistance in case of an emergency. NRC staff have completed the arrangements with law enforcement agencies required by 10 CFR 73.37(b)(6). Information on these arrangements is provided in Enclosure 2 for each route, and is to be incorporated into your shipment plans and provided to your carrier along with instructions regarding its use.

The notification requirements of 10 CFR 73.37(f) and 73.72, and the information protection requirements of 10 CFR 73.21. apply for each shipment made under these approvals. When making notification to this office under 10 CFR 73.72. please confirm that the appropriate governors or designees will or have been notified.

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Should you require additional information or have questions concerning this matter, please contact John Cook of my staff at (301) 415-8521.

Sincerely,

Susan F. Shankman, Chief Transportation Safety and Inspection Branch Spent Fuel Project Office, NMSS

Enclosures: 1. Rail Route #130 2. Rail Route #135

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ENCLOSURE 1

RAIL ROUTE #130

BRUNSWICK STEAM ELECTRIC PLANT SOUTHPORT, NORTH CAROLINA

TO

SHEARON HARRIS NUCLEAR POWER PLANT NEAR NEW HILL, NORTH CAROLINA

Enclosure 1

RAIL TRANSPORTATION ROUTE

BRUNSWICK STEAM ELECTRIC PLANT SOUTHPORT, NORTH CAROLINA

TO

SHEARON HARRIS NUCLEAR POWER PLANT NEAR NEW HILL, NORTH CAROLINA

NORTH CAROLINA

| 1. | Brunswick Steam Electric Plant, Southport, NC through the Sunny Point Military Ocean Terminal to Leland, NC | 18 miles |
|----|--|-----------|
| 2. | Leland. NC west over CSX tracks to Hamlet. NC | 119 miles |
| 3. | Hamlet. NC north over CSX tracks to Bonsal, NC | 70 miles |
| | Total | 207 miles |

Individual receiving advance notification of spent fuel shipment pursuant to 10 CFR 73.37(f): First Sgt. T. C. Stroud, 919-733-5282; after hours, 919-733-3861.

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ENCLOSURE 2

RAIL ROUTE #135

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H. B. ROBINSON STEAM ELECTRIC PLANT HARTSVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

TO

SHEARON HARRIS NUCLEAR POWER PLANT NEAR NEW HILL, NORTH CAROLINA

RAIL TRANSPORTATION ROUTE

H. B. ROBINSON STEAM ELECTRIC PLANT HARTSVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

TO

SHEARON HARRIS NUCLEAR POWER PLANT NEAR NEW HILL, NORTH CAROLINA

SOUTH CAROLINA

| 1. | H. B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant. Hartsville, SC to McBee, SC | | 6 | miles |
|-----|---|----------|-------|-------|
| 2. | McBee, SC north to the NC state line | | 40 | miles |
| | | Subtota1 | 46 | miles |
| NOR | TH CAROLINA | | | |
| 3. | NC state line north over CSX tracks to Bonsal, | 83 | miles | |
| 4. | Bonsal. NC west tp Shearon Harris Nuclear Powe | r Plant | 3 | miles |
| | | Subtotal | 86 | miles |
| | | TOTAL | 132 | miles |
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SOUTH CAROLINA

Individual receiving advance notification of spent fuel shipment pursuant to 10 CFR 73.37(f): Virgil Autry, 803-896-4244; after hours, 803-253-6488.

NORTH CAROLINA

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