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STATEMENT UNDER OATH OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER REGARDING FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES RELATING TO EXCHANGE ACT FILINGS

I, William Cavanaugh III, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Progress Energy, Inc., state and attest that:

(1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Progress Energy, Inc., and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:

- no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).

(2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's Audit Committee.

(3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":

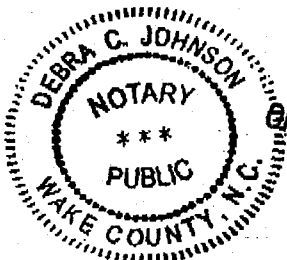
- Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001, of Progress Energy, Inc.;
all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Progress Energy, Inc. filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
any amendments to any of the foregoing.

Signature of William Cavanaugh III
William Cavanaugh III
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer
August 13, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of August 2002.

Signature of Debra C. Johnson
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 9/8/04



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