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March 21, 2001

Tennessee Valley Authority ATTN: Mr. J. A. Scalice Chief Nuclear Officer and Executive Vice President 6A Lookout Place 1101 Market Street Chattanooga, TN 37402-2801

### SUBJECT: REACTOR OPERATOR INITIAL RETAKE EXAMINATION SEQUOYAH NUCLEAR POWER STATION REPORT NOS. 50-327/2001-301 AND 50-328/2001-301

Dear Mr. Scalice:

On March 14 and 15, 2001, the NRC administered an NRC Reactor Operator (RO) initial operating Part "B" retake examination to an employee of your facility who had applied for a license to operate the Sequoyah Nuclear Plant. The NRC waived the written and part A and C of the operating examination. At the conclusion of the examination, the examiner discussed the examination questions and preliminary findings with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

The RO applicant who received this portion of the operating examination passed the examination, representing a 100 percent pass rate.

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

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact me at (404) 562-4638.

Sincerely, /RA/ Michael E. Ernstes, Chief Operator Licensing and Human Performance Branch Division of Reactor Safety

Docket Nos. 50-327, 50-328 License Nos. DPR-77, DPR-79

Enclosure: Report Details

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# **REGION II**

Docket Nos: License Nos:	50-327, 50-328 DPR-77, DPR-79
Report Nos:	50-327/01-301, 50-328/01-301
Licensee:	Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA)
Facility:	Sequoyah Nuclear Plant, Units 1 & 2
Location:	Sequoyah Access Road Soddy-Daisy, TN 37379
Dates:	March 14 and 15, 2001
Examiner:	R. Aiello, Senior Operations Engineer
Approved by:	Michael E. Ernstes, Chief Operator Licensing and Human Performance Branch Division of Reactor Safety

### SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

### Sequoyah NRC Inspection Report Nos. 50-327/2001-301 and 50-328/2001-301

On March 14 and 15, 2001, the NRC administered a Reactor Operator initial operating Part "B" retake examination in accordance with the guidance of Examination Standards, (ES) NUREG-1021, Revision 8. This examination implemented the operator licensing requirements of 10 CFR §55.45. No significant issues were identified.

## Report Details

### 4 OTHER ACTIVITIES

### 40A5 Other

a. <u>Scope</u>

The NRC conducted an initial operating Part "B" retake examination to one applicant on March 14 and 15, 2001.

### b. Findings

The licensee developed the operating examination in accordance with NUREG 1021, Revision 8. The NRC identified no significant examination material deficiencies. The Reactor Operator applicant was granted a waiver by the NRC, from taking the written and Part "A" and "C" of the operating examination since he previously passed this portion during the initial examination that was conducted in August 2000. The NRC administered this operating examination on March 14 and 15, 2001. The applicant passed the examination. No findings of significance were identified.

### 4OA6 Management Meetings

#### Exit Meeting Summary

The Chief Examiner presented the examination results on March 15, 2001, to Mr. Richard Driscoll, Site Training Manager-Sequoyah Nuclear Plant and other members of licensee management. The licensee acknowledged the examination results presented.

The inspectors asked the licensee whether any materials examined during the inspection should be considered proprietary. No proprietary information was identified.

# PARTIAL LIST OF PERSONS CONTACTED

<u>Licensee</u>

\*R. Driscoll, Site Training Manager\*W. Hunt, Operations Training Manager\*J. Wilkes, Operations Superintendent

<u>NRC</u>

D. Starkey, Resident Inspector