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Gentlemen:

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION (NRC) - PROPOSED REVISION OF THE
NRC ENFORCEMENT POLICY (Volume 66 Federal Register 14224)

TVA is pleased to provide comments on the proposed revision to the NRC's Enforcement Policy (NUREG-1600) as described in the subject *Federal Register* notice. We have reviewed the comments provided to you on this matter by the Nuclear Energy Institute and fully support its views.

In particular, TVA would like to emphasize the importance of providing individuals the opportunity to address any apparent violations before the NRC takes any enforcement action. We understand that this opportunity is ordinarily provided in the form of a predecisional enforcement conference. TVA would like to see this procedural step strengthened to require the offer of such a conference. The individual would be able to decline the opportunity at his or her discretion and elect to provide a written response or decide not to add anything further to the record at that point. Also, TVA believes that individuals should be provided the opportunity to appeal any enforcement action that is issued, even when no order or monetary penalty is involved.

Once again, TVA is pleased to provide the above comments. If you have any questions, please contact Linda A. Moore at (423) 751-7499.

Sincerely,

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