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Terry R. Woods
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PER 10 CFR 2.790]

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Dear Mr. Woods:

This is in reference to your letter dated February 3, 2000, in which you requested a copy of your transcribed interviews with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) Office of Investigations (OI), notes of your personal interviews taken by OI, any other transcribed interviews which address your involvement in the investigation, a copy of OI Report 2-98-023, and a copy of notes taken by a representative of the NRC's Office of Inspector General (OIG). The purpose of your request was to support your participation at the closed, predecisional enforcement conference the NRC intends to hold with Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA). The OI interviews were conducted as part of the investigation associated with OI Report 2-98-023.

The NRC requested your presence at the closed, predecisional enforcement conference by letter to TVA dated January 31, 2000, to assist us in fully understanding all relevant facts. Although no enforcement action is contemplated against you at this time, the transcript of your OI interview is being provided to you (Enclosure 1) because you may be subject to future enforcement action due to your involvement in the events that were the subject of the investigation. Although your February 3, 2000, letter indicated that you were the subject of a recorded, follow-up interview session with OI, this interview session was not transcribed or documented by OI. As such, Enclosure 1 contains the OI documentation associated with your personal interviews.

The NRC is, however, declining your request for the release of any other transcribed interviews which address your involvement in the investigation and OI Report 2-98-023. In lieu of disclosing the full OI report and exhibits, the NRC's practice is to prepare a summary of the information which forms the basis for the staff's conclusions prior to a conference. Such a summary was enclosed with our January 31, 2000, letter to TVA which provided notification of our intent to conduct a closed, predecisional enforcement conference. A copy of our letter to TVA is included as Enclosure 2 for your information.

The NRC staff forwarded your request for a copy of the OIG representative's notes to Mr. George A. Mulley, Senior Level Assistant for Investigative Operations, OIG. After consultation with the OIG, the NRC has deemed it appropriate to provide to you a copy of the OIG representative's Report of Interview (Enclosure 3). Should you have additional questions regarding this, please contact Mr. Mulley at 301-415-5967.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," this letter will not be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact me at 404-562-4601.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Casto, Director
Division of Reactor Safety

Enclosures:
1. OI Report 2-98-023 Transcripts
2. NRC letter to TVA dated January 31, 2000
3. OIG Report of Interview

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