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BROWNS FERRY **NUCLEAR PLANT (BFN)** - UNITS **1,** 2, **AND 3** - **ANNUAL** RADIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENTAL OPERATING REPORT (AREOR) REPORT **JANUARY** THROUGH DECEMBER 2001

In accordance with the **BFN** Technical Specifications (TS) Section **5.6.2** and **10** CFR **50,** Appendix I, Section IV.B, TVA is submitting the AREOR report for BFN Units **1,** 2, and 3. This report covers the period from January through December 2001.

TS Section 5.6.2 requires that the enclosed AREOR report contain summaries, interpretations, and analyses of trends of the results of the Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program for the reporting period. In addition, the BFN Offsite Dose Calculation Manual, Section 5.1, requires the AREOR to include the following information:

- **>**Results of land use censuses.
- **>**Summarized and tabulated results of the radiological environmental samples taken during the reporting period, in the format of Regulatory Guide 4.8, December 1975, and NUREG 1302, April 1991.
- **>**Summary description of the radiological environmental monitoring program.

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- **>**A map of sampling locations keyed to a table giving distances and directions from one reactor.
- **>**Results of TVA's participation in the Interlaboratory Comparison Program.

The report concludes that based upon the analysis of the environmental sampling results and trend data, the exposure to members of the public which may have been attributable to BFN operation is negligible.

There are no commitments contained in this letter. If you have any questions, please contact me at (256) 729-2636.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report describes the radiological environmental monitoring program conducted by TVA in the vicinity of the Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant (BFN) in 2001. The program includes the collection of samples from the environment and the determination of the concentrations of radioactive materials in the samples. Samples are taken from stations in the general area of the plant and from areas not influenced by plant operations. Monitoring includes the sampling of air, water, milk, foods, soil, fish, sediment, and the measurement of direct radiation levels. Results from stations near the plant are compared with concentrations from control stations and with preoperational measurements to determine potential impacts of plant operations.

The vast majority of the activity detected from environmental samples was the result of naturally occurring radioactive materials. Small amounts of Cs-137 were measured in a limited number of samples collected during 2001. The concentrations measured for Cs-137 were consistent with levels commonly found in the environment as a result of atmospheric nuclear weapons fallout. The level of activity measured in these samples would result in no measurable increase over background in the dose to the general public.

INTRODUCTION

This report describes and summarizes results of radioactivity measurements made in the vicinity of BFN and laboratory analyses of samples collected in the area. The measurements are made to comply with the requirements of 10 CFR 50, Appendix A, Criterion 64 and 10 CFR 50, Appendix I, Sections IV.B.2, IV.B.3 and IV.C and to determine potential effects on public heath and safety. This report satisfies the annual reporting requirements of **BFN** Technical Specification 5.6.2 and Offsite Dose Calculation Manual (ODCM) Administrative Control 5.1. The data presented in this report include results from the prescribed program and information to help correlate the significance of results measured by this monitoring program to the levels of environmental radiation resulting from naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Naturally Occurring and Background Radioactivity

Most materials in our world today contain trace amounts of naturally occurring radioactivity. Potassium-40 (K-40), with a half-life of 1.3 billion years, is one of the major types of radioactive materials found naturally in our environment. An individual weighing 150 pounds contains about 140 grams of potassium (Reference 1). This is equivalent to approximately 100,000 pCi of K-40 which delivers a dose of 15 to 20 mrem per year to the bone and soft tissue of the body. Other examples of naturally occurring radioactive materials are beryllium (Be)-7, bismuth (Bi)-212, 214, lead (Pb)-212, 214, thallium (Tl)-208, actinium (Ac)-228, uranium (U)-238, 235, thorium (Th)-234, radium (Ra)-226, radon (Rn)-222, carbon (C)-14, and hydrogen (H)-3 (generally called tritium). The radiation from these materials makes up a part of the low-level natural background radiation. The remainder of the natural background radiation comes in the form of cosmic ray radiation from outer space.

It is possible to get an idea of the relative hazard of different types of radiation sources by evaluating the amount of radiation the U.S. population receives from each general type of radiation source. The following information is primarily adapted from References 2 and 3.

U.S. GENERAL POPULATION AVERAGE DOSE EQUIVALENT ESTIMATES

As can be seen from the table, the natural background radiation dose equivalent to the U.S. population normally exceeds that from nuclear plants by several hundred times. This indicates that nuclear plant operations normally result in a population radiation dose equivalent which is insignificant compared to that which results from natural background radiation. It should be noted that the use of radiation and radioactive materials for medical uses has resulted in a similar effective dose equivalent to the U.S. population as that caused by natural background cosmic and terrestrial radiation.

Electric Power Production

Nuclear power plants are similar in many respects to conventional coal burning (or other fossil fuel) electrical generating plants. The basic process behind electrical power production in both types of plants is that fuel is used to heat water to produce steam which provides the force to turn turbines and generators. In a nuclear power plant, the fuel is uranium and heat is produced in the reactor through the fission of the uranium. Nuclear plants include many complex systems to control the nuclear fission process and to safeguard against the possibility of reactor malfunction. The nuclear reactions produce radionuclides commonly referred to as fission and activation products. Very small amounts of these fission and activation products are released into the plant systems. This radioactive material can be transported throughout plant systems and some of it released to the environment.

The pathways through which radioactivity is released are monitored. Liquid and gaseous effluent monitors record the radiation levels for each release. These monitors also provide alarm mechanisms to prompt termination of any release above limits.

Releases are monitored at the onsite points of release and through the environmental monitoring program which measures the environmental radiation in areas around the plant. In this way, not only is the release of radioactive materials from the plant tightly controlled, but measurements are made in surrounding areas to verify that the population is not being exposed to significant levels of radiation or radioactive materials.

The BFN ODCM, which is required by the plant Technical Specifications, prescribes limits for the release of radioactive effluents, as well as limits for doses to the general public from the release of these effluents. The dose to a member of the general public from radioactive materials released to unrestricted areas, as given in NRC guidelines and in the ODCM, is limited as follows:

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Liquid Effluents

Gaseous Effluents

Noble gases:

Particulates:

Any organ ≤ 15 mrem/year

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) limits for the total dose to the public in the vicinity of a nuclear power plant, established in the Environmental Dose Standard of 40 CFR 190, are as follows:

Appendix B to 10 CFR 20 presents the regulatory limits for the annual average concentrations of radioactive materials released in gaseous and liquid effluents at the boundary of the unrestricted area. Table 1 of this report compares the nominal lower limits of detection for the BFN monitoring program with the regulatory limits for maximum annual average effluent concentrations released to unrestricted areas and levels requiring special reports to the NRC. The data presented in this report indicate compliance with the regulations.

SITE/PLANT DESCRIPTION

Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant (BFN) is located on the north shore of Wheeler Reservoir at Tennessee River Mile 294 in Limestone County in north Alabama (Figure 1). Wheeler Reservoir averages 1 to 1-1/2 miles in width in the vicinity of the plant. The site, containing approximately 840 acres, is approximately 10 miles southwest of Athens, Alabama, and 10 miles northwest of Decatur, Alabama. The dominant character of land use is small, scattered villages and homes in an agricultural area. A number of relatively large farming operations occupy much of the land on the north side of the river immediately surrounding the plant. The principal crop grown in the area is cotton. Only one dairy farm is located within a 10-mile radius of the plant.

Approximately 2500 people live within a 5-mile radius of the plant. The town of Athens has a population of about 17,000, while approximately 49,000 people live in the city of Decatur. The largest city in the area with approximately 160,000 people is Huntsville, Alabama, located about 24 miles east of the site.

Area recreation facilities are developed along the Tennessee River. The nearest facilities are public use areas located 2 to 3 miles from the site. The city of Decatur has developed a large municipal recreation area, Point Mallard Park, approximately 15 miles upstream of the site. The Tennessee River is also a popular sport fishing area.

BFN consists of three boiling water reactors. Unit 1 achieved criticality on August 17, 1973, and began commercial operation on August 1, 1974. Unit 2 began commercial operation on March 1, 1975. However, a fire in the cable trays on March 22, 1975, forced the shutdown of both reactors. Units 1 and 2 resumed operation and Unit 3 began testing in August 1976. Unit 3 began commercial operation in March 1977.

All three units were out of service from March 1985 to May 1991. Unit 2 was restarted May 24, 1991 and Unit 3 restarted on November 19, 1995. Unit 1 remains in a non operating status.

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RADIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PROGRAM

Most of the radiation and radioactivity generated in a nuclear power reactor is contained within the reactor itself or one of the other plant systems. Plant effluent monitors are designed to detect the small amounts released to the environment. Environmental monitoring is a final verification that the systems are performing as planned. The monitoring program is designed to sample the pathways between the plant and the people in the immediate vicinity of the plant. Sample types are chosen so that the potential for detection of radioactivity in the environment will be maximized. The radiological environmental monitoring program is outlined in Appendix A.

There are two primary pathways by which radioactivity can move through the environment to humans: air and water (see Figure 2). The air pathway can be separated into two components: the direct (airborne) pathway and the indirect (ground or terrestrial) pathway. The direct airborne pathway consists of direct radiation and inhalation by humans. In the terrestrial pathway, radioactive materials may be deposited on the ground or on plants and subsequently be ingested by animals and/or humans. Human exposure through the liquid pathway may result from drinking water, eating fish, or by direct exposure at the shoreline. The types of samples collected in this program are designed to monitor these pathways.

A number of factors were considered in determining the locations for collecting environmental samples. The locations for the atmospheric monitoring stations were determined from a critical pathway analysis based on weather patterns, dose projections, population distribution, and land use. Terrestrial sampling stations were selected after reviewing such things as the locations of dairy animals and gardens in conjunction with the air pathway analysis. Liquid pathway stations were selected based on dose projections, water use information, and availability of media such as fish and sediment. Table A-2 (Appendix A, Table 2: This method of notation is used for all tables and figures given in the appendices.) lists the sampling stations and the types of samples collected from each.

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Modifications made to the program in 2001 are described in Appendix B and exceptions to the sampling and analysis schedule are presented in Appendix C.

To determine the amount of radioactivity in the environment prior to the operation of BFN, a preoperational radiological environmental monitoring program was initiated in 1968 and operated until the plant began operation in 1973. Sampling and analyses conducted during the preoperational phase has provided data that can be used to establish normal background levels for various radionuclides in the environment.

The preoperational monitoring program is a very important part of the overall program. During the 1950s, 60s, and 70s, atmospheric nuclear weapons testing released radioactive material to the environment causing fluctuations in background radiation levels. This radioactive material is the same type as that produced in the BFN reactors. Preoperational knowledge of radionuclide patterns in the environment permits a determination, through comparison and trending analyses, of whether the operation of BFN is impacting the environment and thus the surrounding population.

The evaluation of the impact of plant operations also utilizes data from control stations that have been established in the monitoring program. Results of environmental samples taken at control stations (far from the plant) are compared with those from indicator stations (near the plant) to establish the extent of BFN influence.

Sample analyses are performed by TVA's Environmental Radiological Monitoring and Instrumentation (ERM&I) group located at the Western Area Radiological Laboratory (WARL) in Muscle Shoals, Alabama. The analyses are conducted in accordance with written and approved procedures and are based on accepted methods. A summary of the analysis techniques and methodology is presented in Appendix D. Data tables summarizing the sample analysis results are presented in Appendix H.

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The radiation detection devices and analysis methods used to determine the radionuclide content of samples collected in the environment are very sensitive to small amounts of radioactivity. The sensitivity of the measurement process is defined in terms of the lower limit of detection (LLD). A description of the nominal LLDs for the Radioanalytical Laboratory is presented in Appendix E.

The ERM&I Laboratory applies a comprehensive quality assurance/quality control program to monitor laboratory performance throughout the year. The program is intended to detect any problems in the measurement process as soon as possible so they can be corrected. This program includes instrument checks to ensure that the radiation detection instruments are working properly and the analysis of quality control samples. To provide for interlaboratory comparison program cross checks, the laboratory participated in a blind sample program administrated by Analytics, Incorporated. In addition, samples are split with the EPA National Air and Radiation Environmental Laboratory and the State of Alabama. A complete description of the quality control program is presented in Appendix F.

DIRECT RADIATION MONITORING

Direct radiation levels are measured at a number of stations around the plant site. These measurements include contributions from cosmic radiation, radioactivity in the ground, fallout from atmospheric nuclear weapons tests conducted in the past, and radioactivity that may be present as a result of plant operations. Because of the relative large variations in background radiation as compared to the small levels from the plant, contributions from the plant are difficult to distinguish.

Radiation levels measured in the area around the BFN site in 2001 were consistent with levels from previous years and with levels measured at other locations in the region.

Measurement Techniques

Direct radiation measurements are made with thermoluminescent dosimeters (TLDs). TVA uses the Panasonic Model UD-814 dosimeter for measurement of the environmental radiation levels. This dosimeter contains four elements consisting of one lithium borate and three calcium sulfate phosphors. The calcium sulfate phosphors are shielded by approximately 1000 mg/cm^2 plastic and lead to compensate for the over-response of the detector to low energy radiation.

TLDs are placed approximately 1 meter above the ground, with two or more TLDs at each monitoring location. Monitoring points for TLDs are located in each of the sixteen compass sectors surrounding the site. One monitoring point is located in each sector near the site boundary and a second monitoring point is located at a distance of approximately five miles in each sector. Nine additional locations are distributed through the sectors out to a distance of approximately 32 miles. The TLDs are exchanged every 3 months and read with a Panasonic Model UD-710A automatic reader interfaced with a computer system for analysis of the data.

Since the calcium sulfate phosphor is much more sensitive than the lithium borate, the measured exposure is taken as the median of the results obtained from the calcium sulfate phosphors in all detectors from the monitoring location. The values are corrected for gamma response, system variations, and transit exposure, with individual gamma response calibrations for each element. The system meets or exceeds the performance specifications outlined in Regulatory Guide 4.13 for environmental applications of TLDs.

Results

All results are normalized to a standard quarter (91.25 days or 2190 hours). The monitoring locations are grouped according to the distance from the plant. The first group consists of all locations within 1 mile of the plant. The second group lies between 1 and 2 miles, the third group between 2 and 4 miles, the fourth between 4 and 6 miles, and the fifth group is made up of all locations more than 6 miles from the plant. Past data have shown that the results from all monitoring points greater than 2 miles from the plant are essentially'the same. Therefore, for purposes of this report, all locations 2 miles or less from the plant are identified as "onsite" stations and all others are considered "offsite." Prior to 1976, direct radiation measurements in the environment were made with dosimeters that were not as precise at lower exposures. Consequently, the environmental radiation levels reported in the preoperational phase of the BFN monitoring program exceed current measurements of background radiation levels. For this reason, data collected prior to 1976 are not included in this report. For comparison purposes, direct radiation measurements made in the TVA Watts Bar Nuclear Plant (WBN) construction phase and preoperational radiological environmental monitoring program are referenced.

The quarterly gamma radiation levels determined from the TLDs deployed around BFN in 2001 are summarized in Table H-1. The results from all measurements at individual locations are presented in Table H-2. The exposures are measured in milliroentgens. For purposes of this

report, one milliroentgen (mR), one millirem (mrem), and one millirad are assumed to be numerically equivalent. The rounded average annual exposures are shown below.

Annual Average Direct Radiation Levels

The data in Table H-1 indicate that the average quarterly radiation levels at the BFN onsite locations are approximately 2.3 mR/quarter higher than levels at the offsite locations. This difference is consistent with levels measured for preoperation and construction phases of TVA nuclear plant sites where the average radiation levels on site were generally 2-6 mR/quarter higher than the levels offsite. The causes of these differences have not been isolated; however, it is postulated that the differences are probably attributable to combinations of influences such as natural variations in environmental radiation levels, earth-moving activities onsite, and the mass of concrete employed in the construction of the plant. Other undetermined influences may also play a part. These conclusions are supported by the fact that similar differences between onsite and offsite locations were measured in the vicinity of the WBN site during the construction and preoperational phase.

Figure H-1 compares plots of the environmental gamma radiation levels from the onsite or site boundary locations with those from the offsite locations over the period from 1976 through 2001. All results reported in 2001 are consistent with direct radiation levels identified at locations which are not influenced by the operation of BFN. There is no indication that BFN activities increased the background direct radiation levels normally observed in the areas surrounding the plant. \bar{z}

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ATMOSPHERIC MONITORING

The atmospheric monitoring network is divided into three groups identified as local, perimeter, and remote. In the current program, five local air monitoring stations are located on or adjacent to the plant site in the general direction of greatest wind frequency. Three of these stations (LM-1, LM-2, and LM-3) are located on the plant side of the Tennessee River and two stations (LM-6 and LM-7) are located immediately across the river from the plant site. One additional station (station LM-4) is located at the point of maximum predicted offsite concentration of radionuclides based on preoperational meteorological data. Three perimeter air monitoring stations are located in communities out to about 13 miles from the plant, and two monitors used as controls are located out to 32 miles. The monitoring program and the locations of monitoring stations are identified in the tables and figures of Appendix A.

Results from the analysis of samples in the atmospheric pathway are presented in Tables H-3 and H-4. Radioactivity levels identified in this reporting period are consistent with background radioactivity levels. There is no indication of an increase in atmospheric radioactivity as a result of BFN.

Sample Collection and Analysis

Air particulates are collected by continuously sampling air at a flow rate of approximately 2 cubic feet per minute (cfm) through a 2-inch glass fiber filter. The sampling system consists of a pump, a magnehelic gauge for measuring the drop in pressure across the system, and a dry gas meter. This allows an accurate determination of the volume of air passing through the filter. The sampling system is housed in a metal building. The filter is contained in a sampling head mounted on the outside of the monitor building. The filter is replaced weekly. Each filter is analyzed for gross beta activity about 3 days after collection to allow time for the radon daughters to decay. Every 4 weeks, composites of the filters from each location are analyzed by gamma spectroscopy.

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Gaseous radioiodine is collected using a commercially available cartridge containing TEDA impregnated charcoal. This system is designed to collect iodine in both the elemental form and as organic compounds. The cartridge is located in the same sampling head as the air particulate filter and is downstream of the particulate filter. The cartridge is changed at the same time as the particulate filter and samples the same volume of air. Each cartridge is analyzed for 1-131 by gamma spectroscopy analysis.

Rainwater is sampled by use of a collection tray attached to the monitor building. As water drains from the tray, it is collected in one of two 5-gallon jugs inside the monitor building. A 1-gallon sample is removed from the container every 4 weeks. Any excess water is discarded. Rainwater samples are analyzed only if the air particulate samples indicate the presence of elevated activity levels or if fallout is expected. No rainwater samples from the vicinity of BFN were analyzed in 2001.

Results

The results from the analysis of air particulate samples are summarized in Table H-3. Gross beta activity in 2001 was consistent with levels reported in previous years. The average gross beta concentrations at indicator and control stations was 0.021 pCi/m³. The annual averages of the gross beta activity in air particulate filters at these stations for the years 1968-2001 are presented in Figure H-2. Increased levels due to fallout from atmospheric nuclear weapons testing are evident, especially in 1969, 1970, 1971, 1977, 1978, and 1981. Evidence of a small increase resulting from the Chernobyl accident can also be seen in 1986. These patterns are consistent with data from monitoring programs conducted by TVA at other nuclear power plant sites during construction and preoperational stages.

Only naturally occurring radionuclides were identified by the monthly gamma spectral analysis of the air particulate samples. As shown in Table H-4, iodine-131 was not detected in any of the charcoal cartridge samples collected in 2001.

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TERRESTRIAL MONITORING

Terrestrial monitoring is accomplished by collecting samples of environmental media that may transport radioactive material from the atmosphere to humans. Samples of milk, soil, and food crops are collected and analyzed to determine the potential impacts from exposure to this pathway. The results from the analysis of these samples are shown in Tables **H-5** through **H-11.**

A land use survey is conducted annually to locate milk producing animals and gardens within a 5-mile radius of the plant. No milk-producing animals have been identified within 5 miles of the plant. One dairy farm is located at approximately 7 miles from the plant. This farm is included in the BFN monitoring program as an indicator location. The results of the 2001 land use survey are presented in Appendix G.

Sample Collection and Analysis

Milk samples were scheduled for collection every 2 weeks from the dairy farm used as the indicator location and from at least one of two control farms. Milk samples are placed on ice for transport to the radioanalytical laboratory. A specific analysis for 1-131 and a gamma spectral analysis are performed on each sample. In addition, the analysis for Sr-89, 90 is performed at least once per calendar quarter.

A program modification was implemented for 2001 that changed the program requirements for vegetation sampling to agree with the guidance provided by NUREG 1302 (1991), Offsite Dose Calculation Manual Guidance: "Standard Radiological Effluent Controls for Boiling Water Reactors." The revision provides for the collection of vegetation from milk sampling locations during periods when milk is being produced but milk samples cannot be collected. During 2001, there were no periods when vegetation sampling was required.

Soil samples are collected annually from the air monitoring locations. The samples are collected with either a "cookie cutter" or an auger type sampler. After drying and grinding, the sample is analyzed by gamma spectroscopy. When the gamma analysis is complete, the sample is ashed and analyzed for Sr-89, 90.

Samples representative of food crops raised in the area near the plant are obtained from individual gardens, comer markets, or cooperatives. Types of foods may vary from year to year as a result of changes in the local vegetable gardens. In 2001, samples of apples, cabbage, corn, green beans, and tomatoes were collected from local gardens. The edible portion of each sample is analyzed by gamma spectroscopy.

Results

The results from the analysis of milk samples are presented in Table H-5. No radioactivity which could be attributed to **BFN** was identified. All 1-131 results were less than the established nominal LLD of 0.4 pCi/liter. There was no Sr-90 or Sr-89 detected in milk samples analyzed for the **BFN** program in 2001.

The predominant isotope reported in milk samples was the naturally occurring K-40. The average concentration for K-40 was approximately 1320 pCi/liter.

The only fission or activation product identified in soil samples was Cs-137. The average concentration measured in samples from indicator locations was 0.16 pCi/g. The average concentration for control locations was slightly higher at 0.22 pCi/g. These concentrations are consistent with levels previously reported from fallout. All other radionuclides reported were naturally occurring isotopes. The results of the analysis of soil samples are reported in Table H-6. A plot of the annual average Cs-137 concentrations in soil is presented in

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Figure H-3. The concentration of Cs-137 in soil is steadily decreasing as a result of the cessation of weapons testing in the atmosphere, the 30-year half-life of Cs-137 and transport through the environment.

Only naturally occurring radioactivity was identified in food crops. The predominant natural radionuclide detected in samples of food crops was K-40. Analysis of these samples indicated no contribution from plant activities. The results are reported in Tables H-7 through **H-11.**

LIQUID PATHWAY MONITORING

Potential exposures from the liquid pathway can occur from drinking water, ingestion of fish, and from direct radiation exposure to radioactive materials deposited in the river shoreline sediment. The liquid pathway monitoring program conducted during 2001 included the collection of samples of surface (river/reservoir) water, groundwater, drinking water supplies, fish, and shoreline sediment. Samples from the reservoir are collected both upstream and downstream from the plant.

Results from the analysis of aquatic samples are presented in Tables H-12 through H-17. Radioactivity levels in water and shoreline sediment were consistent with background levels previously reported. Trace levels of Cs-137 were identified in samples of game fish. As discussed in more detail in a later section, **BFN** operated with zero liquid discharge to the Tennessee River during 2001.

Sample Collection and Analysis

Samples of surface water are collected from the Tennessee River using automatic sampling systems from one downstream station and one upstream station. The upstream sample is collected from the raw water intake at the Decatur, Alabama water plant and is utilized as control sampling location for both surface and drinking water. A timer turns on the system at least once every two hours. The line is flushed and a sample collected into a collection container. A 1-gallon sample is removed from the container every 4 weeks and the remaining water in the jug is discarded. The 4-week composite sample is analyzed by gamma spectroscopy and for gross beta activity. A quarterly composite sample is analyzed for tritium.

Samples are also collected by an automatic sampling system at the first downstream drinking water intake. This sample is collected at the intake for the water plant and is raw untreated water. These samples are collected in the same manner as the surface water samples.

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These monthly samples are analyzed by gamma spectroscopy and for gross beta activity. A quarterly composite is analyzed for tritium.

At other selected locations, grab samples are collected from drinking water systems which use the Tennessee River as their source. These samples are analyzed every 4 weeks by gamma spectroscopy and for gross beta activity. A quarterly composite sample from each station is analyzed for tritium.

A groundwater well onsite is equipped with an automatic water sampler. Water is also collected from a private well in an area unaffected by BFN. Samples from the wells are collected every 4 weeks and analyzed by gamma spectroscopy. A quarterly composite sample is analyzed for tritium.

Samples of commercial and game fish species are collected semiannually from each of two reservoirs: the reservoir on which the plant is located (Wheeler Reservoir) and the upstream reservoir (Guntersville Reservoir). The samples are collected using a combination of netting techniques and electrofishing. To sample edible portions of the fish, the fish are filleted. After drying and grinding, the samples are analyzed by gamma spectroscopy.

Shoreline sediment was collected from two downstream recreational use areas and one upstream location. The samples were collected at the normal water level shoreline and analyzed by gamma spectroscopy.

Results

All radioactivity in surface water samples was below the detection limits except the gross beta activity and naturally occurring isotopes identified by gamma spectral analysis. These results are consistent with previously reported levels. A trend plot of the gross beta activity in surface water samples from 1968 through 2001 is presented in Figure H-4. A summary table of the results for this reporting period is shown in Table H-12.

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For drinking water (public water), gross beta activity averaged 2.7 pCi/liter at the downstream stations and 3.0 pCi/liter at control stations. The results are shown in Table H-13 and a trend plot of the gross beta activity from 1968 to the present is presented in Figure H-5.

No fission or activation products were detected in groundwater samples. Only naturally occurring radon decay products (Pb-214 and Bi-214) were identified in these samples. Results from the analysis of groundwater samples are presented in Table H-14.

Cesium-137 was identified in one sample of game fish collected from the control location. The concentration measured in a game fish sample from the control reservoir was 0.04 pCi/g. This concentration was consistent with data from previous monitoring years. The only other isotopes found in fish were naturally occurring radionuclides. The results are summarized in Tables H-15 and H-16. Plots of the annual average Cs-137 concentrations in game fish are presented in Figure H-6.

Only naturally occurring radionuclides were identified by the gamma spectral analyses of samples of shoreline sediment. The results from the analysis of shoreline sediment are provided in Table H-17.

ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION

Potential doses to the public are estimated from measured effluents using computer models. These models were developed by TVA and are based on methodology provided by the NRC in Regulatory Guide 1.109 for determining the potential dose to individuals and populations living in the vicinity of a nuclear power plant. The doses calculated are a representation of the dose to a "maximum exposed individual." Some of the factors used in these calculations (such as ingestion rates) are maximum expected values which will tend to overestimate the dose to this "hypothetical" person. In reality, the expected dose to actual individuals is significantly lower.

The area around the plant is analyzed to determine the pathways through which the public may receive an exposure. As indicated in Figure 2, the radioactivity is introduced into the environment through liquid and gaseous effluents.

For liquid effluents, the public can be exposed to radiation from three sources: drinking water from the Tennessee river, eating fish caught in the Tennessee River, and direct exposure to radioactive material due to activities on the banks of the river (recreational activities). Data used to determine these doses are based on guidance given by the NRC for maximum ingestion rates, exposure times, and distribution of the material in the river. Whenever possible, data used in the dose calculation are based on specific conditions for the BFN area. During 2001 BFN operated with zero liquid releases.

For gaseous effluents, the public can be exposed to radiation from several sources: direct radiation from the radioactivity in the air, direct radiation from radioactivity deposited on the ground, inhalation of radioactivity in the air, ingestion of vegetation which contains radioactivity deposited from the atmosphere, and ingestion of milk from animals which consumed vegetation containing deposited radioactivity. The concentrations of radioactivity in the air and the soil are estimated by computer models which use the actual meteorological conditions to determine the

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distribution of the effluents in the atmosphere. Again, as many of the parameters as possible are based on actual site specific data.

Results

The estimated doses to the maximum exposed individual due to radioactivity released from BFN in 2001 are presented in Table 2. These estimates were made using the concentrations of the liquids and gases measured at the effluent monitoring points. There were no calculated doses for liquid effluents since BFN was operating with zero liquid releases. The maximum organ dose equivalent from gaseous effluents was 0.13 mrem/year which represents 0.8 percent of the NRC limit. A more complete description of the effluents released from **BFN** and the corresponding doses projected from these effluents can be found in the BFN Annual Radioactive Effluent Release Reports.

As stated earlier in the report, the estimated increase in radiation dose equivalent to the general public resulting from the operation of BFN is negligible when compared to the dose from natural background radiation. The results from each environmental sample are compared with the concentrations from the corresponding control stations and appropriate preoperational and background data to determine influences from the plant. During this report period, only Cs-137 was identified in aquatic media. The distribution of Cs-137 in fish is consistent with fallout levels identified in samples during the preoperational phase of the monitoring program. The Cs 137 detected in soil was consistent with levels generally found in the environment as the result of past nuclear weapons testing.

Conclusions

It is concluded from the above analysis of the environmental sampling results and from the trend plots presented in Appendix H that the exposure to members of the general public which may have been attributable to BFN is negligible. The radioactivity reported herein is primarily the

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results of fallout or natural background radiation. Any activity which may be present as a result of plant operations does not represent a significant contribution to the exposure of Members of the Public.

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Table 1

COMPARISON OF PROGRAM LOWER LIMITS OF DETECTION WITH THE REGULATORY LIMITS FOR MAXIMUM ANNUAL AVERAGE EFFLUENT CONCENTRATIONS RELEASED TO UNRESTRICTED AREAS AND REPORTING LEVELS

Note: $1 pCi = 3.7 x10^{-2} Bq$.

Note: For those reporting levels that are blank, no value is given in the reference.

- 1 Source: Table 2 of Appendix B to 10 CFR 20.1001-20.2401
- 2 Source: BFN Offsite Dose Calculation Manual, Table 2.3-3

3 Source: Table E-1 of this report.
Table 2

MAXIMUM DOSE DUE TO RADIOACTIVE EFFLUENT RELEASES BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT 2001 MREM/YEAR $\ddot{}$

Dose From Liquid Effluentsa

Doses From Gaseous Effluents

Total Cumulative Dose

a. **BFN** operated with no liquid effluent releases during 2001.

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APPENDIX A

RADIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PROGRAM AND SAMPLING LOCATIONS

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Table **A-I** BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT RADIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PROGRAMa

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Table A- **I** BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT RADIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PROGRAM^a

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Table A- **I** BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT RADIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PROGRAM^a

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a. The sampling program outlined in this table is that which was in effect at the end of 2001.

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b. Sample locations, sector and distance from plant, are described in Table A-2 and A-3 and shown in Figures A-I, A-2, and A-3.

c. Composite samples shall be collected by collecting an aliquot at intervals not exceeding 2 hours.

d. The sample location at the Decatur City Water Plant serves as a control sample for both surface water and drinking water.

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Table A-2 BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT RADIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PROGRAM SAMPLING LOCATIONS

a. See Figures A-1, A-2, and A-3

b. Sample codes:
 $AP = Air$ particulate filter $AP = Air$ particulate filter CF = Charcoal filter (Iodine)
 $F = Fish$ $M = Milk$

 $M =$ Milk
 $S =$ Soil

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- R = Rainwater SW **=** Surface Water

c. TRM **=** Tennessee River Mile.

d. Miles from plant discharge at (TRM 294).

PW = Public drinking water

- SS = Shoreline sediment
- $W =$ Well water

Table A-3 BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT THERMOLUMINESCENT DOSIMETER (TLD) LOCATIONS

a. See Figures A-1, A-2, and A-3.

b. TLDs designated "onsite" are those located 2 miles or less from the plant. TLDS designated "offsite" are those located more than 2 miles from the plant.

Figure **A-1**

Radiological Environmental Monitoring Locations

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Figure A-2

Radiological Environmental Monitoring Locations

From **I** to 5 Miles from the Plant

Figure A-3

Radiological Environmental Monitoring Locations

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2001 PROGRAM MODIFICATIONS

APPENDIX B

Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program Modifications

A modification was made in the program requirements for vegetation sampling to provide for better agreement with the guidance from NUREG 1302. This modification provides for the collection of vegetation as a substitute for milk sampling from locations producing milk when milk samples cannot be collected. An example would be a small farm with limited milk production that could not provide an adequate sample volume for milk sampling. During 2001, there were no periods when vegetation sampling was required.

The location for the collection of the off site control location ground water sample was modified in 2001. This sample was being collected from a farm located approximately 5 miles N of the plant. This location was a dairy farm that went out of business in 1999. Near the end of 2000, the farmer stopped all use of the well at the location and disconnected the electrical power. To ensure continued availability of the off site ground water sample, the control sampling location was changed to the dairy farm located approximately 6.8 miles NNW of the plant. This farm was already serving as a milk sampling location.

APPENDIX C

PROGRAM DEVIATIONS

APPENDIX C

Program Deviations

During 2001, problems with sampling equipment resulted in sample unavailability or inadequate sample volumes for six sets of air particulate filter and charcoal cartridge samples, and one public water sample. In addition, one milk sample could not be collected due to sample unavailability.

Table **C-1** provides additional details on these program deviations.

Table **C-1**

Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program Deviations

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ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES

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Analytical Procedures

Analyses of environmental samples are performed by the radioanalytical laboratory located at the WARL facility in Muscle Shoals. All analysis procedures are based on accepted methods. A summary of the analysis techniques and methodology follows.

The gross beta measurements are made with an automatic low background counting system. Normal counting times are 50 minutes. Water samples are prepared by evaporating 500 ml of samples to near dryness, transferring to a stainless steel planchet and completing the evaporation process. Air particulate filters are counted directly in a shallow planchet.

The specific analysis of 1-131 in milk, or vegetation samples is performed by first isolating and purifying the iodine by radiochemical separation and then counting the final precipitate on a beta-gamma coincidence counting system. The normal count time is 50 minutes. With the beta gamma coincidence counting system, background counts are virtually eliminated and extremely low levels of detection can be obtained.

After a radiochemical separation, samples analyzed for Sr-89, 90 are counted on a low background beta counting system. The sample is counted a second time after a 7-day ingrowth period. From the two counts the Sr-89 and Sr-90 concentrations can be determined.

Water samples are analyzed for tritium content by first distilling a portion of the sample and then counting by liquid scintillation. A commercially available scintillation cocktail is used.

Gamma analyses are performed in various counting geometries depending on the sample type and volume. All gamma counts are obtained with germanium detectors interfaced with a computer based multichannel analyzer system. Spectral data reduction is performed by the computer program HYPERMET.

The charcoal cartridges used to sample gaseous radioiodine were analyzed by gamma spectroscopy using a high resolution spectroscopy system with germanium detectors.

All of the necessary efficiency values, weight-efficiency curves, and geometry tables are established and maintained on each detector and counting system. A series of daily and periodic quality control checks are performed to monitor counting instrumentation. System logbooks and control charts are used to document the results of the quality control checks.

APPENDIX E

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NOMINAL LOWER LIMITS OF DETECTION (LLD)

Appendix E

Nominal Lower Limits of Detection

A number of factors influence the LLD for a specific analytical method, including sample size, count time, count efficiency, chemical processes, radioactive decay factors, and interfering isotopes encountered in the sample. The most probable values for these factors have been evaluated for the various analyses performed in the environmental monitoring program. The nominal LLDs are calculated from these values in accordance with the methodology prescribed in the **ODCM.** These nominal LLD values are presented in Table E-1. The maximum values for the lower limits of detection specified in the ODCM are shown in Table E-2.

The nominal LLDs are also presented in the data tables. For analyses for which nominal LLDs have not been established, a LLD of zero is assumed in determining if a measured activity is greater than the nominal LLD.

TABLE E- **I**

Nominal LLD Values A. Radiochemical Procedures

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Maximum Values for the Lower Limits of Detection (LLD) Specified by the BFN Offsite Dose Calculation Manual

a. If no drinking water pathway exists, a value of 3000 pCi/liter may be used.

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b. LLD for analysis of drinking water and surface water samples shall be performed by gamma spectroscopy at approximately 15 pCi/liter. If levels greater than 15 pCi/liter are identified in surface water samples downstream from the plant, or in the event of an unanticipated release of I-131, drinking water samples will be analyzed at an LLD of 1.0 pCi/liter for 1-131.

APPENDIX F

QUALITY ASSURANCE/QUALITY CONTROL PROGRAM

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Appendix F

Quality Assurance/Quality Control Program

A thorough quality assurance program is employed by the laboratory to ensure that the environmental monitoring data are reliable. This program includes the use of written, approved procedures in performing the work, provisions for staff training and certification, internal self assessments of program performance, audits by various external organizations, and a laboratory quality control program.

The quality control program employed by the radioanalytical laboratory is designed to ensure that the sampling and analysis process is working as intended. The program includes equipment checks and the analysis of quality control samples along with routine samples. Instrument quality control checks include background count rate and counts reproducibility. In addition to these two general checks, other quality control checks are performed on the variety of detectors used in the laboratory. The exact nature of these checks depends on the type of device and the method it uses to detect radiation or store the information obtained.

Quality control samples of a variety of types are used by the laboratory to verify the performance of different portions of the analytical process. These quality control samples include blanks, replicate samples, blind samples, or cross-checks.

Blanks are samples which contain no measurable radioactivity or no activity of the type being measured. Such samples are analyzed to determine whether there is any contamination of equipment or commercial laboratory chemicals, cross-contamination in the chemical process, or interference from isotopes other than the one being measured.

Duplicate samples are generated at random by the sample computer program which schedules the collection of the routine samples. For example, if the routine program calls for four milk samples every week, on a random basis each farm might provide an additional sample several

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times a year. These duplicate samples are analyzed along with other routine samples. They provide information about the variability of radioactive content in the various sample media.

If enough sample is available for a particular analysis, the laboratory staff can split it into two portions. Such a sample provides information about the variability of the analytical process since two identical portions of material are analyzed side by side.

Analytical knowns are another category of quality control sample. A known amount of radioactivity is added to a sample medium. The lab staff knows the radioactive content of the sample. Whenever possible, the analytical knowns contain the same amount of radioactivity each time they are run. In this way, analytical knowns provide immediate data on the quality of the measurement process. A portion of these samples are also blanks.

Blind spikes are samples containing radioactivity which are introduced into the analysis process disguised as ordinary environmental samples. The lab staff does not know the sample contains radioactivity. Since the bulk of the ordinary workload of the environmental laboratory contains no measurable activity or only naturally occurring radioisotopes, blind spikes can be used to test the detection capability of the laboratory or can be used to test the data review process. If an analysis routinely generates numerous zeroes for a particular isotope, the presence of the isotope is brought to the attention of the laboratory supervisor in the daily review process. Blind spikes test this process since the blind spikes contain radioactivity at levels high enough to be detected. Furthermore, the activity can be put into such samples at the extreme limit of detection (near the LLD) to determine whether or not the laboratory can find any unusual radioactivity whatsoever.

At present, 5 percent of the laboratory workload is in the category of internal cross-checks. These samples have a known amount of radioactivity added and are presented to the lab staff labeled as cross-check samples. This means that the quality control staff knows the radioactive content or "right answer" but the lab personnel performing the analysis do not. Such samples

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test the best performance of the laboratory by determining if the lab can find the "right answer". These samples provide information about the accuracy of the measurement process. Further information is available about the variability of the process if multiple analyses are requested on the same sample. Like blind spikes or analytical knowns, these samples can also be spiked with low levels of activity to test detection limits. During 2001, all analysis results for internal cross check samples were within agreement limits when compared to the known value.

To provide for an independent verification of the laboratory's ability to make accurate measurements, the laboratory participated in an environmental level cross-check program available through Analytics, Inc., during 2001. The results of TVA's participation in this cross check program are presented in Table F-1.

TVA splits certain environmental samples with laboratories operated by the States of Alabama and Tennessee and the EPA National Air and Radiation Environmental Laboratory in Montgomery, Alabama. When radioactivity has been present in the environment in measurable quantities, such as following atmospheric nuclear weapons testing, following the Chernobyl incident, or as naturally occurring radionuclides, the split samples have provided TVA with another level of information about laboratory performance. These samples demonstrate performance on actual environmental sample matrices rather than on the constructed matrices used in cross-check programs.

The quality control data are routinely collected, examined and reported to laboratory supervisory personnel. They are checked for trends, problem areas, or other indications that a portion of the analytical process needs correction or improvement. The end result is a measurement process that provides reliable and verifiable data and is sensitive enough to measure the presence of radioactivity far below the levels which could be harmful to humans.

Table F-I

Results For 2001 External Cross Checks

APPENDIX G

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LAND USE SURVEY

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Land Use Survey

A land use survey was conducted to identify the nearest milk animal, the nearest residence, and the nearest garden of greater than 500 square feet producing fresh leafy vegetables in each of 16 meteorological sectors within a distance of 5 miles from the plant. The land use survey also identified the location of all milk animals and gardens of greater than 500 square feet producing fresh leafy vegetables within a distance of 3 miles from the plant.

The land use survey was conducted between April 1 and October 1 using appropriate techniques such as door-to-door survey, mail survey, telephone survey, aerial survey, or information from local agricultural authorities or other reliable sources.

In order to identify the locations around BFN which have the greatest relative potential for impact by the plant, radiation doses were projected for individuals living near BFN. These projections used the data obtained in the survey and historical meteorological data. The calculations also assumed that releases were equivalent to the design basis source terms. The dose projections are relative in nature and do not reflect actual exposures to individuals living near BFN. Calculated doses to individuals based on measured effluents from the plant were well below applicable dose limits (see Assessment and Evaluation Section and Table 2).

Dose projections from air submersion were calculated for the nearest resident in each sector and dose projections from drinking milk or eating foods produced near the plant were calculated for the areas with milk producing animals and gardens, respectively.

There were no changes in the distances for the locations of the nearest resident in 2001 as compared to 2000. The location of the nearest garden as identified in the 2001 survey changed in one sector compared to the locations identified in 2000.

The nearest milk production was at the dairy farm located 6.8 miles NNW of the plant. As in past years, the relative projected doses were calculated for this farm and the farm was included in the monitoring program as an indicator sampling location.

Tables G-1, G-2, and G-3 show the comparative calculated doses for 2000 and 2001.

Table G-1

BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT

Relative Projected Annual Air Submersion Dose to the Nearest Resident Within 8 km (5 Miles) of Plant mrem/year

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Note a - There is no residence within the 8 km radius for this section

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BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT

Relative Projected Annual Dose to Child's Bone from Ingestion of Home-Grown Foods mrem/year

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note a - Garden not found within 8 km radius.

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Table G-3

BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT

Relative Projected Annual Dose to Receptor Thyroid from Ingestion of Milk mrem/year

NOTE: The feeding factor is an estimate of the percentage of the time the animals are feeding from pasture. A feeding factor of 0.01 is used in the dose calculation when the estimated feeding factor is 0.

 $A =$ Adult, age $17 +$ years

APPENDIX H

DATA TABLES AND FIGURES

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Table H - **1**

DIRECT RADIATION LEVELS

Average External Gamma Radiation Levels at Various Distances from BROWNS FERRY Nuclear Plant for Each Quarter - 2001 mR / Quarter (a)

(a) Field periods normalized to one standard quarter (2190 hours)

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(b) Average of the individual measurements in the set **±** 1 standard deviation of the set

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TABLE H **-** 2

DIRECT RADIATION LEVELS

Individual Stations at Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant

Note: (1) Sum of available quarterly data normalized to 1 year for the annual exposure value.

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DIRECT RADIATION LEVELS

Individual Stations at Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant

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RADIOACTIVITY IN AIR FILTER PCI/M3 - 0.037 BQ/M3

NAME OF FACILITY: BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT LOCATION OF FACILITY: LIMESTONE ALABAMA DOCKET NO.: 50-259,260,296 REPORTING PERIOD: 2001

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NOTE: 1. NOMINAL LOWER LIMIT OF DETECTION (LLD) AS DESCRIBED IN TABLE **E-1 .**

RADIOACTIVITY IN CHARCOAL FILTER PCI/M3 - 0.037 BQ/M3

GAMMA SCAN (GELI)

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NOTE: 1. NOMINAL LOWER LIMIT OF DETECTION (LLD) AS DESCRIBED IN TABLE E-1 **.**

NOTE: 2. MEAN AND RANGE BASED UPON DETECTABLE MEASUREMENTS ONLY. FRACTION OF DETECTABLE MEASUREMENTS AT SPECIFIED LOCATIONS IS INDICATED IN PARENTHESES (F).

NOTE: 3. THE ANALYSIS OF CHARCOAL FILTERS WAS PERFORMED BY GAMMA SPECTROSCOPY. NO 1-131 WAS DETECTED. THE LLD FOR 1-131 BY GAMMA SPECTROSCOPY WAS 0.03 pCi/cubic meter.

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RADIOACTIVITY IN MILK PCI/L - 0.037 **BQ/L**

NOTE: 1. NOMINAL LOWER LIMIT OF DETECTION (LLD) AS DESCRIBED IN TABLE E-1

NOTE: 2. MEAN AND RANGE BASED UPON DETECTABLE MEASUREMENTS ONLY. FRACTION OF DETECTABLE MEASUREMENTS AT SPECIFIED LOCATIONS IS INDICATED IN PARENTHESES (F).

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RADIOACTIVITY IN SOIL PCI/GM - 0.037 BQ/G (DRY WEIGHT)

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DOCKET NO.: 50-259,260,296 REPORTING PERIOD: 2001

NAME OF FACILITY: BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT LOCATION OF FACILITY: LIMESTONE ALABAMA

GAMMA SCAN (GELI)

NOTE: 1. NOMINAL LOWER LIMIT OF DETECTION (LLD) AS DESCRIBED IN TABLE E-1.

NOTE: 2. MEAN AND RANGE BASED UPON DETECTABLE MEASUREMENTS ONLY. FRACTION OF DETECTABLE MEASUREMENTS AT SPECIFIED LOCATIONS IS INDICATED IN PARENTHESES (F).

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RADIOACTIVITY IN APPLES PCI/KG - 0.037 BQ/KG (WET WT)

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NOTE: 1. NOMINAL LOWER LIMIT OF DETECTION (LLD) AS DESCRIBED IN TABLE **E-1 .**

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RADIOACTIVITY IN CABBAGE PCI/KG - 0.037 BQ/KG (WET WT)

GAMMA SCAN (GELI)

NOTE: 1. NOMINAL LOWER LIMIT OF DETECTION (LLD) AS DESCRIBED IN TABLE E-1 **.**

RADIOACTIVITY IN CORN PCI/KG - 0.037 BQ/KG (WET WT)

DOCKET NO.: 50-259,260,296 REPORTING PERIOD: 2001

NAME OF FACILITY: BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT LOCATION OF FACILITY: LIMESTONE ALABAMA

GAMMA SCAN (GELI) $\overline{2}$

NOTE: 1. NOMINAL LOWER LIMIT OF DETECTION (LLD) AS DESCRIBED IN TABLE E-1 **.**

NOTE: 2. MEAN AND RANGE BASED UPON DETECTABLE MEASUREMENTS ONLY. FRACTION OF DETECTABLE MEASUREMENTS AT SPECIFIED LOCATIONS IS INDICATED IN PARENTHESES (F).

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RADIOACTIVITY IN GREEN BEANS PCI/KG - 0.037 BQ/KG (WET WT)

GAMMA SCAN (GELI)

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RADIOACTIVITY IN TOMATOES PCI/KG - 0.037 BQ/KG (WET WT)

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NOTE: 1. NOMINAL-LOWER LIMIT OF DETECTION (LLD) AS DESCRIBED IN TABLE **E-1 .**

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NOTE: **1.** NOMINAL LOWER LIMIT OF DETECTION (LLD) AS DESCRIBED IN TABLE E-1

RADIOACTIVITY IN PUBLIC WATER(Total) PCI/L - 0.037 BQ/L

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NOTE: 1. NOMINAL LOWER LIMIT OF DETECTION (LLD) AS DESCRIBED IN TABLE E-1

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RADIOACTIVITY IN WELL WATER(Total) PCI/L - 0.037 **BQ/L**

NOTE: 1. NOMINAL LOWER LIMIT OF DETECTION (LLD) AS DESCRIBED IN TABLE E-1 **.**

RADIOACTIVITY IN COMMERCIAL FISH PCI/GM - 0.037 BQ/G (DRY WEIGHT)

GAMMA SCAN (GELI)

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Un NOTE: 1. NOMINAL LOWER LIMIT OF DETECTION (LLD) AS DESCRIBED IN TABLE E-1 **.**

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NOTE: 2. MEAN AND RANGE BASED UPON DETECTABLE MEASUREMENTS ONLY. FRACTION OF DETECTABLE MEASUREMENTS AT SPECIFIED LOCATIONS IS INDICATED IN PARENTHESES (F).

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RADIOACTIVITY IN GAME FISH PCI/GM - 0.037 BQ/G (DRY WEIGHT)

GAMMA SCAN (GELI)

NOTE: 1. NOMINAL LOWER LIMIT OF DETECTION (LLD) AS DESCRIBED IN TABLE E-1 **.**

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RADIOACTIVITY IN SHORELINE SEDIMENT PCI/GM - 0.037 BQ/G (DRY WEIGHT)

NAME OF FACILITY: BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT LOCATION OF FACILITY: LIMESTONE ALABAMA

NOTE: 1. NOMINAL LOWER LIMIT OF DETECTION (LLD) AS DESCRIBED IN TABLE E-1 **.**

NOTE: 2. MEAN AND RANGE BASED UPON DETECTABLE MEASUREMENTS ONLY. FRACTION OF DETECTABLE MEASUREMENTS AT SPECIFIED LOCATIONS IS INDICATED IN PARENTHESES (F).

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