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License No. 01-25284-01

Karl W. Singer
Chief Nuclear Officer and Executive Vice President
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SUBJECT: TVA NUCLEAR, REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING
FINANCIAL ASSURANCE DOCUMENTS, CONTROL NO. 135779

Dear Mr. Singer:

This is in reference to your letter dated September 29, 2004 providing financial assurance for decommissioning for Nuclear Regulatory Commission License No. 01-25284-01. In order to continue our review, we need the following additional information:

10 CFR 30.35(b) requires that licensees authorized to possess byproduct material in excess of the amounts listed in 10 CFR 30.35(d), submit either:

- 1) A Decommissioning Funding Plan with a cost estimate and a method for assuring the funds using one of the instruments described in 10 CFR 30.35(f), or,
- 2) A certification that financial assurance for decommissioning has been provided in the amount prescribed in 10 CFR 30.35(d) using one of the instruments described in 10 CFR 30.35(f).

You have submitted a Statement of Intent in the applicable amount prescribed by 10 CFR 30.35(d). The Statement of Intent and the corresponding signature authority provide an acceptable instrument for financial assurance for decommissioning. However, you did not provide the Certification of Financial Assurance that is required for approval of your financial assurance document. Discussion of the requirement for this document and a Model Certification of Financial Assurance may be found in Section A.2 of NUREG-1757, Vol. 3, "Consolidated NMSS Decommissioning Guidance: Financial Assurance, Recordkeeping, and Timeliness". A copy of this section has been included with this letter.

Please provide a completed Certification of Financial Assurance listing the types and amounts of radioactive materials authorized by this license. The other licenses held by Tennessee Valley Authority for which financial assurance has been provided also require submittal of this Certification. These licenses are: 01-06113-04, 41-08165-08, 41-08165-18, and 41-25370-01. You may provide either a separate Certification Letter for each license, or one Certification Letter that separately lists each license and the authorized materials for each.

K. Singer
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Please note that on October 25, 2004, the NRC suspended public access to ADAMS, and initiated an additional security review of publicly available documents to ensure that potentially sensitive information is removed from the ADAMS database accessible through the NRC's web site. Interested members of the public may obtain copies of the referenced documents for review and/or copying by contacting the NRC Public Document Room pending resumption of public access to ADAMS. The NRC Public Document Room is located at NRC Headquarters in Rockville, MD, and can be contacted at 800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737 or pdf@nrc.gov.

We will continue our review upon receipt of this information. Please reply to my attention at the Region I Office and refer to Mail Control No. 135779. If you have any technical questions regarding this deficiency letter, please call Marjorie McLaughlin at (610) 337-5240.

Sincerely,

Original signed by Mark Roberts

Mark Roberts
Senior Health Physicist
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Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

Enclosure:
NUREG-1757, Vol. 3, Appendix A, Section A.2, "Certification of Financial Assurance"

cc:
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