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Tennessee Valley Authority
Attn: Mr. N. B. Hughes
Manager of Power
830 Power Building
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37401

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. B. R. Crowley of this office on August 9-11, 1978, of activities authorized by NRC Construction Permit Nos. CPPR-91 and CPPR-92 for the Watts Bar Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2 facilities, and to the discussion of our findings held with Mr. T. B. Northern at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection and our findings are discussed in the enclosed inspection report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

We have examined actions you have taken with regard to previously identified enforcement matters and unresolved items. The status of these items is discussed in the enclosed report.

During the inspection it was found that certain activities under your license appear to be in noncompliance with NRC requirements. These items and references to pertinent requirements are listed in the Notice of Violation enclosed herewith as Appendix A. Corrective actions to prevent recurrence were completed prior to the conclusion of this inspection; therefore, a reply is not requested.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room. If this report contains any information that you (or your contractor) believe to be proprietary, it is necessary that you

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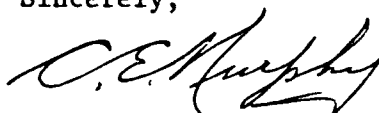
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make a written application within 20 days to this office to withhold such information from public disclosure. Any such application must include a full statement of the reasons on the basis of which it is claimed that the information is proprietary, and should be prepared so that proprietary information identified in the application is contained in a separate part of the document. If we do not hear from you in this regard within the specified period, the report will be placed in the Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, we will be glad to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,



C. E. Murphy, Chief
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Enclosures:

1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation
2. Inspection Report Nos. 50-390/78-21
and 50-391/78-18

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