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Tennessee Valley Authority
ATTN: Mr. S. A. White
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: REVISED NOTICE OF VIOLATION
(NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-390/86-20 AND 50-391/86-20)

We have reviewed your response of February 4, 1987 to our Notice of Violation issued January 7, 1987, concerning activities conducted at your Watts Bar facility. As discussed in Enclosure 2 to this letter, we consider your response to violation 390/86-20-01 to be inadequate. After careful consideration of your response, we have concluded, for the reasons also presented in Enclosure 2 to this letter: (1) that the violation occurred and was programmatic and, (2) the violation was identified to the wrong procedure by the NRC, was reidentified to the correct procedure by your staff, but was not properly reviewed for root cause and corrective action to prevent further violations.

As pointed out in your response, the Notice of Violation issued January 7, 1987, cited the wrong procedure. Accordingly, the corrected violation description, references to pertinent requirements, and elements to be included in your response are described in the corrected Notice of Violation included as Enclosure 1. We regret any inconvenience this correction may have caused. Please respond to the corrected Notice of Violation within 30 days of the date of this letter.

As a result of the additional information you presented in your response, the NRC concurs with your position that only the third example listed in the inspection report details was valid. However, this does not diminish our concern for the adequacy of your control of testing.

Since this violation is programmatic in nature, involving implementation of your Quality Assurance (QA) Topical Report and since there are similar areas of concern such as control of post-modification and post-maintenance testing, please include in your response your evaluation of these similar areas and the conditions at your other nuclear facilities.

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 its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and its enclosure are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. Should you have questions concerning this letter, please contact us.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Enclosures:

- 1. Corrected Notice of Violation
- 2. Staff Assessment of Licensee Response

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