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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20555

Gentlemen:

In the Matter of the Application of) Docket Nos. 50-390
Tennessee Valley Authority) 50-391

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT (WBN) - REGION II INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-390/87-07
AND 50-391/87-07 - INTERIM REPLY TO A VIOLATION

This letter is to provide the NRC with an interim response to violation 390, 391/87-07-01. TVA committed to provide the final report on this violation, conveying the program and timetable for corrective action, to NRC on or about May 31, 1988.

Based on a telephone conversation with K. P. Barr of the NRC on June 2, 1988, this commitment has been extended to June 14, 1988.

TVA originally initiated a sample reinspection program of heating, ventilating, and air conditioning supports to determine the scope of the subject violation. A statistical inspection plan was established using existing design drawings and Quality Control Procedures for acceptance. Of the 42 hangers inspected, 16 failed to meet the acceptance criteria. This rejection rate exceeded the preestablished allowed limits.

TVA initiated two Condition Adverse to Quality Reports (CAQRs), WBP 870316 and WBP 870308, to document the original deficiencies. CAQR WBP 870316 has been revised to include deficiencies discovered during the sample reinspection effort. TVA has begun evaluating the variety of conditions identified in order to develop corrective actions.

Since our last submittal, TVA has determined that a change in the approach to resolution was necessary to address the variety of conditions identified. TVA is assessing the criticality of the types of deficiencies identified in the CAQRs and is developing a corrective action plan. Based on the current WBN schedule and budget, this plan will be developed in fiscal 1989.

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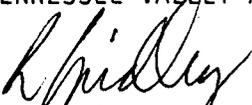
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TVA is requesting that the schedule for the final response on this violation, providing the details of the program to NRC be extended to October 31, 1989.

A summary statement of the commitment contained in this submittal is provided in the enclosure. If there are any questions, please telephone C. J. Riedl at (615) 365-8527.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure

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ENCLOSURE

LIST OF COMMITMENTS

Provide final response to NRC including details of the program by
October 31, 1989.