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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by J. A. McDonald of this office on August 1 through 31, 1980 of activities authorized by NRC Construction Permit Nos. CPPR-91 and CPPR-92 for the Watts Bar facility, and to the discussion of our findings held with E. R. Ennis 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.

During the inspection it was found that certain activities under your license appear to deviate from commitments to the Commission and have safety significance. This item is identified in the Notice of Deviation enclosed herewith as Appendix A. Please provide us in writing within 20 days of your receipt of this letter your comments including a description of corrective actions that have been or will be taken, corrective actions which will be taken to avoid further deviations, and the date corrective actions were or will be completed.

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 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.

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

Sincerely,

R. C. Lewis, Acting Chief
Reactor Operations and Nuclear
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Enclosures:
1. Appendix A, Notice of Deviation
2. Inspection Report Nos. 50-390/80-26 and 50-391/80-20

cc w/encl:
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