

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Attn: Mr. James P. O'Reilly, Regional Administrator
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USNRC REGION II
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT UNITS 1 AND 2 - OIE INSPECTION REPORT 50-390/81-03
AND 50-391/81-03 - SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO VIOLATION 50-390,391/81-03-09

The subject inspection report dated March 14, 1981 cited TVA for violation of NRC requirements. Responses concerning these violations were submitted on June 11, September 21, September 30, and November 19, 1981.

In the final response to this violation (50-390,391/81-03-09) and subsequent NRC questions, TVA indicated that General Construction Specification G-73, entitled "Inspection, Testing, and Documentation Requirements for Fire Protection Systems and Features," would be issued by November 23, 1981. However, TVA did not meet this commitment. The specification was issued on March 16, 1982.

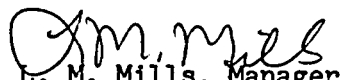
As stated in the final report, the inspection and documentation criteria issued before March 16, 1982 (the specification date of issue) were established by memorandums between the Division of Engineering Design and the Division of Construction for various plants on an individual basis. This specification (G-73) supersedes all previously issued directives and memorandums and establishes consistent fire protection QA requirements for all plants. Therefore, fire protection systems and features which are in operation, installed but not in service, being assembled, or material or equipment received or on contract as of March 16, 1982, are exempt from strict compliance with G-73. TVA will review, on a case-by-case basis by system and feature, the implementation of fire protection QA requirements to ensure that the intent of G-73 is met. This review, and any corrective action resulting from the review, will be completed before fuel loading for each unit.

If you have any questions, please get in touch with R. H. Shell at FTS 858-2688.

To the best of my knowledge, I declare the statements contained herein are complete and true.

Very truly yours,

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