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Tennessee Valley Authority
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION
(NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-390/91-18 AND 50-391/91-18)

This refers to the NRC inspection conducted by G. A. Walton on August 17 through September 23, 1991. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your Watts Bar facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation of activities in progress.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation. We are concerned about this violation because your stop work assessment root cause evaluations identified procedural noncompliance as a contributing cause to problems with work control. It appears, based on the three examples of procedural noncompliance identified, with very limited ongoing work, that the problems with procedural noncompliance have not been adequately corrected. Therefore, corrective actions to prevent recurrence of the violation are considered to be a restart issue.

In addition, the enclosed inspection report identifies activities that appeared to violate NRC requirements but are not cited, therefore, no response is required to the non-cited violation.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

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The responses directed by this letter and the enclosed Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, Pub. L. 96.511.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact us.

Sincerely,

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1. Notice of Violation
2. NRC Inspection Report

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