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Docket Nos. 50-390 and 50-391
License Nos. CPPR-91 and CPPR-92

Tennessee Valley Authority
ATTN: Dr. Mark O. Medford, Vice President
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF DEVIATION
(INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-390/92-26 AND 50-391/92-26)

This refers to the NRC inspection conducted by G. A. Walton on August 21 through September 17, 1992. 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.

The inspection did not reveal violations of NRC requirements. However, certain activities having safety significance appeared to deviate from commitments to the NRC. We are concerned about the commitment changes you made in your program after construction restart for an item that was reviewed and accepted by NRC prior to restart, without coordinating these changes with the NRC as specified in the November 26, 1991, restart authorization letter. The deviation and elements to be included in your response are described in the enclosed Notice of Deviation.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, its enclosure, and any reply will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,

(Original signed by J. Johnson)

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1. Notice of Deviation
2. NRC Inspection Report

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