

November 8, 1994

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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-390/93-59 AND 50-391/93-59

Gentlemen:

In a letter dated May 13, 1994, you provided a supplemental response to our Notice of Violation, issued on October 25, 1993, concerning the implementation of Westinghouse Technical Bulletin NSID-TB-86-07 at your Watts Bar facility. We acknowledged this response in a letter dated June 8, 1994 indicating that we were reviewing the adequacy of your response, specifically with regard to your position that documentation associated with Nuclear Experience Review (NER) evaluations are not considered as quality assurance records in accordance with 10 CFR 50, Appendix B, Criterion XVII. We have completed our review of this matter in consultation with the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

The NRC does not agree with your position that records of the results of reviews are only required when the review results in a condition adverse to quality. Criterion XVII requires that sufficient records shall be maintained to furnish evidence of activities affecting quality and states that these records include the results of reviews and inspections. As such, the NRC has determined that any review or inspection which is conducted or used to verify or determine the quality of a safety-related structure, system or component must be documented and retained as a quality assurance record. Absence of review or inspection records renders the acceptability of the affected structure, system or component as indeterminate

Based on this decision, you should develop a schedule for implementing the retention of these type records at Watts Bar. Also, you should evaluate your records management procedures at Sequoyah, Browns Ferry and Bellefonte and, where applicable, develop implementation schedules. With respect to the documentation of previous reviews, we request that you evaluate the implementation of Watts Bar vendor bulletin recommendations. This evaluation should be designed to provide confidence that bulletin recommendations, although possibly not documented, have been in fact adequately dispositioned

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at Watts Bar. You are requested to provide us a schedule for this review and also the applicable site implementation schedules within 30 days of the issuance of this letter. A copy of the Watts Bar implementation review should be provided when it is completed.

Sincerely,
Original Signed By:
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50-438 and 50-439
50-259, 50-260 and 50-296
50-327 and 50-328

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