

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Tennessee Valley Authority  
Watts Bar 1

Docket No. 50-390  
License No. CPPR-91

During an NRC inspection conducted on February 13-17, 1995, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, the violation is listed below:

10 CFR 50, Appendix B, Criterion V, and the applicant's accepted Nuclear Quality Assurance Plan, TVA-NQA-PLN89-A, Revision 4, Section 6.2.2.B, require, in part, that quality related activities shall be performed in accordance with approved and controlled instructions, procedures, and drawings.

TVA Procedure SSP-3.04, Corrective Action Program, Rev. 14, lists the criteria for items which must be reported on Significant Corrective Action Reports (SCARs). One of the criterion states that a major safety-related or QA program condition that has occurred with a frequency as to indicate that past recurrence control has been lacking or ineffective must be reported on a SCAR.

Contrary to the above, as of February 17, 1995, activities were not performed in accordance with Procedure SSP-3.04 in that a SCAR had not been initiated when there was sufficient evidence to show that recurrence controls had not been effective in preventing deficiencies during the use of vendor information. During 1994 and 1995, examples of deficiencies in using vendor information were identified in at least 17 Problem Evaluation Reports (PERs), five Nuclear Assurance assessments, and two NRC violations.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement II).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Tennessee Valley Authority is hereby require to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN. Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region II, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in the Notice, an order or Demand for Information may be issued as to why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Dated at Atlanta, Georgia  
this 17th day of March 1995

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