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Gentlemen:

In the Matter of the Application of) Docket Nos. 50-390 Tennessee Valley Authority) 50-391

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT (WBN) - FINAL SAFETY ANALYSIS REPORT (FSAR) CHAPTER 14 "INITIAL TEST PROGRAM" - SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

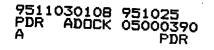
The purpose of this letter is to notify NRC that a previously identified special test will not be performed prior to fuel load and that documentation could not be located to show that information copies of two special tests were provided to NRC prior to test performance. In a letter to NRC dated August 19, 1994, TVA made the following statements:

"The tests described in Enclosure 2 will be performed during the preoperational phase of the initial test program and, as committed in Section 14.2 of the FSAR, are intended to be performed prior to commencing fuel load. Justification for any tests or portions thereof, which cannot be completed prior to fuel load, would be provided to NRC using the process described for preoperational tests in FSAR Section 14.2."

"As discussed with the staff, where acceptance tests or special tests are utilized to satisfy the test summaries in Enclosure 2, TVA will provide an information copy of the test instruction to NRC prior to beginning test performance."

The tests described in Enclosure 2 to TVA's letter have been developed and performed, with exception of Special Performance Test (SPT)-78-02, "Additional Refueling Water Purification Test." This test was to demonstrate the capability of the Spent Fuel Pool Cooling System to provide required water flow in cooling and cleaning operational modes, including skimmer operation, for the spent fuel pool. New fuel is currently stored in the spent fuel pool. Since the spent fuel pool must be filled with water in order

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to perform the test, the new fuel must first be removed. Therefore, the required testing will be performed after fuel load, but prior to achieving initial criticality, in accordance with Power Ascension Test (PAT)-3.9, "Spent Fuel Pool Cooling System." This procedure has been reviewed and approved by the Technical Review Group and Plant Manager as required.

During the process of commitment closure, TVA determined that documentation could not be found to verify that information copies of SPT-78-01, "Refueling Water Purification Test," and SPT-256-01, "Emergency Shutdown Sound Powered Phone," had been provided to the NRC Resident Inspectors' office prior to beginning test performance. Information copies of these SPTs were delivered to the NRC Resident Inspectors' office on October 17, 1995, which was after performance of the tests.

The enclosure lists the commitment made in this submittal.

If you should have any questions, please contact P. L. Pace at (423) 365-1824.

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