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Tennessee Valley Authority
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SUBJECT: PLANT PERFORMANCE REVIEW (PPR) - WATTS BAR

Dear Mr. Kingsley:

On March 4, 1996, the Regional staff completed the initial Plant Performance Review (PPR) of the Watt Bar facility. The staff conducts these reviews for all operating nuclear power plants to develop an integrated understanding of safety performance. The results are used by regional management to facilitate planning and allocation of inspection resources. The PPR for Watts Bar involved the participation of all regional technical divisions in evaluating inspection results and safety performance information for the period of November 12, 1995, through March 1, 1996. PPRs provide regional management with a current summary of licensee performance and serve as inputs to the NRC Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) and Senior Management Meeting (SMM) reviews.

This letter advises you of our planned inspection effort resulting from the Watts Bar PPR review. It is provided to minimize the resource impact on your staff and to allow for scheduling conflicts and personnel availability to be resolved in advance of inspector arrival onsite. The enclosure details our inspection plan for the next six (6) months. The rationale or basis for each inspection outside the core inspection program is provided so that you are aware of the reason for emphasis in these program areas. Resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature. Also, inspections under the startup and power ascension program are not listed because they are keyed to your progress in this area and can not be scheduled strictly on a calendar basis.

During each NRC inspection planned during this period, specific attention will be given to the verification of selected Updated Final Safety Analysis Report (UFSAR) commitments. Applicable portion(s) of the UFSAR that relate to the inspection activities will be reviewed and verification made that the UFSAR commitments have been properly implemented into plant practices, procedures and/or parameters. The goal is to determine the accuracy of the UFSAR regarding existing plant practices and conditions by providing specific attention to the UFSAR when performing various reactor inspections. Inspectors will not be judging the overall completeness of the UFSAR; rather, the inspections will focus on identifying differences between the UFSAR description and the plant.

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We will inform you of any changes to the inspection plan. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. C. Julian at (404) 331-5526.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:
J. P. Jaudon

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Docket Nos. 50-390, 50-391
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Enclosure: Watts Bar Inspection Plan

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WATTS BAR INSPECTION PLAN

Inspection Procedure	Title	No. of Inspectors	Inspection Dates	Type of Inspection
IP 37550	Engineering	1	8/18-30/96 9/16-27/96	Core Inspection Regional Initiative - Observe Engineering Performance
IP 61726	Surveillance Observations	1	5/20-24/96 7/8-12/96	Core Inspection-Support to Resident Inspectors
IP 62703	Maintenance Observations	1	5/20-24/96 7/8-12/96	Core Inspection-Support to Resident Inspectors
IP 71715	Control Room Operations	1	10/7-11/96	Regional Initiative - Observe Control Rm Performance
IP 71001	Licensed Operator Requal. Examinations	1	9/16-20/96	Core Inspection Operator Requal.
IP 81700	Physical Security Program	1	4/29-5/3/96 9/16-20/96	Core Inspection
IP 82701	Emergency Preparedness	1	7/8-12/96	Core Inspection
IP 82301	Exercise Evaluation	1	8/27-29/96	Core Inspection-EP Exercise-licensee Only
IP 83750	Occupational Radiation Exposure	1	8/5-9/96 9/16-20/96	Core Inspection
IP 84750	Rad Waste, Effluent and Environmental Monitoring	1	7/29-8/2/96	Core Inspection
IP 86750	Solid Rad Waste Mgmt and Transportation of Radioactive Material	1	7/29-8/2/96	Core Inspection
IP 92050	QA for Extended Construction Delays	1	5/28-31/96	Semi-Annual Unit 2 Layup Inspections

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