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Tennessee Valley Authority
ATTN: Mr. J. E. Watson
Manager of Power
818 Power Building
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37401

Gentlemen:

This refers to information concerning the Watts Bar, Units 1 and 2, AEC Construction Permit Nos. CPPR-91 and 92, which was provided to us as the result of an inspection of the vendor. This information is being recorded by us under RO Inquiry Report Nos. 50-390/73-1Q and 50-391/73-1Q.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the AEC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations a copy of this letter and the enclosed inquiry report will be placed in the AEC's Public Document Room. If this report contains any information that you believe to be proprietary, it is necessary that you submit a written application to this office requesting that such information be withheld from public disclosure. If no proprietary information is identified, a written statement to that effect should be submitted. If an application is submitted, it must fully identify the bases for which information is claimed to be proprietary. The application should be prepared so that information sought to be withheld is incorporated in a separate paper and referenced in the application since the application will be placed in the Public Document Room. Your application, or written statement, should be submitted to us within 20 days. If we are not contacted as specified, the enclosed inquiry report and this letter may then be placed in the Public Document Room.

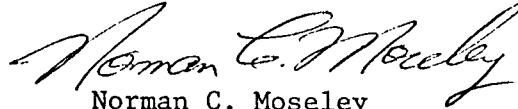
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Your cooperation is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Norman C. Moseley". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Norman C. Moseley
Director

Enclosure:

RO Inquiry Report Nos.
50-390/73-1Q and
50-391/73-1Q

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RO Inquiry Report Nos. 50-369/73-1Q, 50-370/73-1Q, 50-390/73-1Q
50-391/73-1Q, 50-395/73-1Q

Pacific Pump Company (PPCo)
Huntington Park, California
Vendor - Charging/Safety Injection Pumps
MAJOR FIRE AT VENDOR'S FACILITY

Prepared by V. H. Hunter
V. H. Hunter, Reactor Inspector

9-27-73
Date

A. Date and Manner AEC was Informed

The inspector learned of the fire during a routine discussion with a representative of industry. Additional information was obtained during the inspector's visit to the facility on September 16, 1973.

B. Description of Particular Event or Circumstance

Between 3:00-3:30 a.m., September 4, 1973, a major fire occurred at the nuclear vendor's facility in Huntington Park, California. A subsequent visit to the vendor's facility disclosed the following:

1. It appeared that fire had started somewhere in the "hardfacing area" and spread to the large machine area.
2. Approximately 12 turret lathes were destroyed.
3. Approximately 2300 route sheets and/or IBM punch cards attached to small components in progress were destroyed. PPCo will compare inventory sheets with the daily IBM tabulation run in order to duplicate lost documentation.
4. All components destroyed were of a nonpressure boundary category with the exception of bolting material. PPCo will reorder material to replace all destroyed items. Where cast components such as impellers, spacers, etc., were affected by the fire, the components will be retested for physical and chemical properties including a Rockwell hardness test.

5. Total value of loss was estimated at \$250,000.00. Due to emergency measures adopted, PPCo does not anticipate more than a two week delay in delivery of components.

PPCo will furnish a formal status report to the Westinghouse Electric Corporation pertaining to the charging/safety injection pumps scheduled for use at the following nuclear generating facilities:

1. William B. McGuire, Units 1 and 2. (50-369, 50-370)
2. Watts Bar, Units 1 and 2. (50-390, 50-391)
3. V. C. Summer. (50-395)
4. Ohi (Japanese), Units 1 and 2.