

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSIONTENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITYDOCKET NO. 50-390NOTICE OF PARTIAL WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION FOR
AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted a request by the Tennessee Valley Authority (the Licensee) to withdraw the remainder of its October 23, 1996, application for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-90 for the Watts Bar Nuclear Plant, located in Rhea County, Tennessee.

The remaining portion of the application that was not approved by license amendment number 6, issued on July 28, 1997, proposed the installation of spent fuel racks in the cask pit area of the spent fuel pool for an additional 225 storage spaces and the use of an impact shield over the fuel in the cask pit when heavy loads are moved near or across the cask pit area.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on April 2, 1997 (62 FR 15733). However, by letter dated July 22, 1999, the licensee withdrew that portion of the proposed amendment related to storage in the cask pit.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated October 23, 1996, Amendment to Facility Operating License Number 6 issued on July 28, 1997, and the licensee's letter dated July 22, 1999. The above documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L

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Street, NW., Washington, DC and at the local public document room located at the
Chattanooga-Hamilton County Library, 1001 Broad Street, Chattanooga, TN 37402.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 1st day of September 1999.

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