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Gentlemen:

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

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT (WBN) - UNIT 1 IN-DEPTH TECHNICAL AUDIT

In Volume 4 of the Nuclear Performance Plan, TVA committed to perform an in-depth technical audit, similar to an NRC Integrated Design Inspection (IDI), approximately six months before fuel load. TVA intends to complete the commitment, as stated, except that the timing of the audit will be based more on the completion of system work and the state of completion of the Corrective Action Programs and Special Programs than on a specific timeframe before fuel load.

TVA intends for the audit to be a confirmation of the adequacy of the implementation of the design, construction, and inspection processes, and the adequacy and implementation of corrective action programs. Accordingly, work on the system selected should be essentially complete and at or near acceptance by the operating staff. Therefore, TVA plans to perform the audit before fuel load, but not necessarily six months before fuel load, in order to have appropriate system candidates available for selection.

While this change represents a modification to the previous timing of the audit, TVA believes that the change is consistent with the intent of the Nuclear Performance Plan, Volume 4.

Enclosure 1 provides the plan for the technical audit. After the system is selected for audit, the plan will be updated to reflect system specific information and add administrative requirements. The revised plan will be available onsite for NRC review.

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Should there be any questions on the plan, please contact D. L. Malone at (615)-365-8066.

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