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SUBJECT: WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT, FULL-PARTICIPATION EXERCISE
(TAC NO. M89154)

Dear Mr. Kingsley:

TVA conducted a full-participation exercise (including both the plume exposure and ingestion pathways) at Watts Bar on October 6-7, 1993. Section IV.F.2.a of Appendix E to 10 CFR Part 50 requires a full-participation exercise be conducted within two years before the issuance of the first operating license for full power operation. We understand that Watts Bar will not be ready for a full power license until sometime after October 6, 1995, the two-year anniversary date of the last exercise. In that case, the October 1993 exercise would not be sufficient to meet the cited requirement. However, we understand that TVA has scheduled a full-participation exercise for November 1995.

We also understand that TVA will be requesting an exemption from the requirement to conduct the ingestion pathway portion of this exercise. Such a request should be submitted promptly so that an evaluation can be accomplished before the 1995 exercise.

Sincerely,

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