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September 6, 1995

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk Washington, DC 20555

Gentlemen:

In the Matter of the Application of) Docket Nos. 50-390 Tennessee Valley Authority) 50-391

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT (WBN) - UNITS 1 AND 2 - FOLLOW-UP TO REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF 10 CFR 50, APPENDIX E, SECTION IV.F.2(a)

This is in response to NRC's request for additional information in support of TVA's exemption request that was submitted on July 19, 1995. Specifically, Ed Fox of NRC requested during a telephone conversation on September 6, 1995, additional information addressing the extent of the participation of adjacent states that are located in WBN's 50-mile ingestion pathway during exercises. In response to this request, and as requested during the telephone conversation, we have enclosed a copy of the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency (TEMA) letter dated August 31, 1995. This letter references the Tennessee WBN Multi-Jurisdictional Radiological Emergency Response Plan which describes the interfaces between the State of Tennessee and the adjacent states within the 50-mile ingestion pathway for WBN.

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If you have any additional questions or need further information, please telephone Charles R. Davis at (615) 751-7509.

Sincerely,

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TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY
WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT (WBN)
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LETTER FROM TENNESSEE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
DATED AUGUST 31, 1995



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August 31, 1995

Tennessee Valley Authority Mr. R. J. Kitts, Manager Nuclear Emergency Preparedness Lookout Place, 6B, 1101 Market Street Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402-2801

Dear Mr. Kitts; KONNIE

Per your request, the following information in response to the NRC's concerns with the offsite response plans is provided.

The 50-Mile Ingestion Pathway for Watts Bar includes a portion North Carolina and Georgia. Please refer to page 19 and 20 of the Basic Plan for Watts Bar Multi-Jurisdictional Radiological Emergency Response Plan (MJRERP) which outline's the Governor's intent to notify neighboring States. The 50 Mile Ingestion Pathway for Sequoyah includes portions of North Carolina, Georgia and Alabama. Pages 18, 19, and 20 in the Sequoyah MJRERP Basic Plan outline the Governor's intent for notification of these states.

In the MJRERP for both plants, Tab D, Appendix 4, Annex A, you will note that notification of adjoining states is a task to be completed at General Emergency. TAB C, APPENDIX 2, ANNEX B in both plans list each state as a requirement for notification. It is also graphically shown in TAB D, APPENDIX 1, ANNEX C.

TEMA's Operation's REP Notification Check Lists for General Emergency list the neighboring State's State EOCs with commercial telephones as the primary means of notification, with the NAWAS system as backup.

The decision to include other states in an exercise involving the 50-Mile IPZ is made by FEMA Region IV, Atlanta and is normally done during 50-IPZ exercises. Many times, the other States involved are not on a compatible exercise schedule with Tennessee and elect to receive the initial notification only as the extent of their participation. In some cases, other states have taken part in the exercise.

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If you have any additional questions concerning the State of Tennessee's off-site response plans, please feel free to contact Mr. Matt McKnight of my staff here in Nashville at telephone (615) 741-4500.

Sincerely

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