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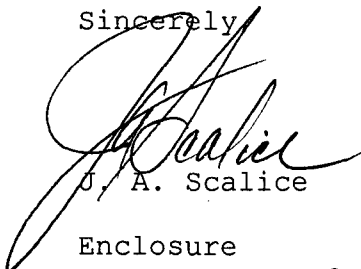
In the Matter of) Docket No. 50-390
Tennessee Valley Authority)

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT (WBN) UNIT 1 - TRITIUM PRODUCING BURNABLE ABSORBER
ROD (TPBAR) LEAD TEST ASSEMBLIES (LTAs) - TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS CHANGE
97-001 - WESTINGHOUSE CYCLE 2 RELOAD SAFETY EVALUATION (RSE)

The purpose of this letter is to provide NRC with the Westinghouse Cycle 2 Reload Safety Evaluation (RSE) to aid in the review of the subject amendment. In the TVA letter dated June 18, 1997, in response to NRC's request for additional information (RAI) question number 7, TVA committed to provide this evaluation. This RSE is provided in the enclosure. TVA has reviewed and accepted this RSE. Appendix A to the RSE provides the Westinghouse Cycle 2 Core Operating Limits Report (COLR). Any changes to the COLR identified during refueling will be reflected in the final COLR submitted once the refueling outage has been completed.

If you should have any questions, please contact P. L. Pace at
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Sincerely


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Enclosure
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WESTINGHOUSE CYCLE 2 RELOAD SAFETY EVALUATION