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

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT (WBN) - JULY 1997 MONTHLY OPERATING REPORT

The enclosure provides the July 1997 Monthly Operating Report as required by WBN Technical Specification Section 5.9.4.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call P. L. Pace at (423) 365-1824.

Sincerely,

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ENCLOSURE

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT (WBN)

MONTHLY OPERATING REPORT

JULY 1997

UNIT 1

DOCKET NUMBER 50-390

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OPERATIONAL SUMMARY
JULY 1997

I. WATTS BAR UNIT 1 OPERATIONAL SUMMARY

Watts Bar Nuclear Plant Unit 1 began July 1997 at full power. The unit operated at or near full power until July 4. At 21:38 on July 4, unit power was reduced to approximately 80 percent due to Main Feedwater Pump B vibration. Full power operation was resumed on July 7. The unit began coast down at 04:31 on July 18. The unit operated at or near coast down power projections for the remainder of the month.

II. CHALLENGES TO THE PRESSURIZER POWER OPERATED RELIEF VALVES OR PRESSURIZER SAFETY VALVES

There were no challenges to the pressurizer power operated relief valves or pressurizer safety valves during the month of July 1997.

AVERAGE DAILY UNIT POWER LEVEL

DOCKET NO. 50-390 UNIT NO. ONE DATE: August 1, 1997

COMPLETED BY: R. D. Tolley TELEPHONE: (423) 365-3550

MONTH: July 1997

DAY	AVERAGE DAILY POWER LEVEL (MWe-Net)	DAY	AVERAGE DAILY POWER LEVEL (MWe-Net)
1.	1106.7	17.	1104.6
2.	1100.7	18.	1097.8
3.	1096.4	19.	1055.3
4.	1084.7	20.	1057.2
5.	899.5	21.	1039.3
6.	901.0	22.	1032.4
7.	1016.9	23.	1024.2
8.	1111.5	24.	1016.0
9.	1106.7	25.	1014.2
10.	1106.1	26.	995.1
11.	1097.4	27.	985.4
12.	1099.9	28.	972.8
13.	1100.7	29.	970.0
14.	1113.0	30.	970.5
15.	1100.3	31.	973.4
16.	1101.3		

OPERATING DATA REPORT

Docket No. 50-390
Date: August 1, 1997
Completed By: R. D. Tolley
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1. Unit Name: WBN Unit 1
2. Reporting Period: July 1997
3. Licensed Thermal Power (MWt): 3411
4. Nameplate Rating (Gross Mwe): 1269.8
5. Design Electrical Rating (Net Mwe): 1150.9
6. Maximum Dependable Capacity (Gross MWe): 1172
7. Maximum Dependable Capacity (Net MWe):* 1117
8. If changes Occur in Capacity Rating (Item Numbers 3 & 7) Since Last Report, Give Reasons: N/A
9. Power Level To Which Restricted, If any (net MWe): N/A
10. Reasons for Restrictions, If any: N/A

		This Month	Year-to-Date	Cumulative
11.	Hours in Reporting Period	744.0	5087.0	10344.0
12.	Number of Hours Reactor was Critical	744.0	4704.6	9530.0
13.	Reactor Reserve Shutdown Hours	0.0	0.0	0.0
14.	Hours Generator On-Line	744.0	4664.0	9468.2
15.	Unit Reserve Shutdown Hours	0.0	0.0	0.0
16.	Gross Thermal Energy Generated (MWh)	2399891	15142470	30973372
17.	Gross Electric Energy Generated (MWh)	819674	5268978	10679523
18.	Net Electrical Energy Generated (MWh)	778823	5002542	10143935
19.	Unit Service Factor	100.0	91.7	91.5
20.	Unit Availability Factor	100.0	91.7	91.5
21.	Unit Capacity Factor (Using MDC Net)	96.5* (93.7)	93.6* (88.0)	87.8
22.	Unit Capacity Factor (Using DER Net)	88.2* (91.0)	85.6* (85.4)	85.2
23.	Unit Forced Outage Rate	0.0	8.3	4.4

24. Shutdowns Scheduled Over Next 6 Months (Type, Date, and Duration of Each): **Refueling Outage, 9/5/97, 40 days**

25. If Shutdown at End of Report Period, Estimate Date of Startup: **N/A**

*Data shown is representative of maximum dependable capacity during coast down period. Number in parenthesis reflects no coastdown considerations.

UNIT SHUTDOWNS AND POWER REDUCTIONS
REPORT MONTH: July 1997

DOCKET NO: **50-390**
UNIT NAME: **WBN-1**
DATE: **8/1/97**
COMPLETED BY: **R. D. Tolley**
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No.	Date	Type[1]	Duration (Hours)	Reason[2]	Method of Shutting Down Reactor[3]	Licensee Event Report No.	System Code[4]	Component Code[5]	Cause and Corrective Action to Prevent Recurrence
									None

[1] F: Force
S: Scheduled

[2] Reason:
A-Equipment Failure (Explain)
B-Maintenance or Test
C-Refueling
D-Regulatory Restriction
E-Operator Training and License Examination
F-Administrative
G-Operational Error (Explain)
H- Other (Explain)

[3] Method
1-Manual
2-Manual Scram
3-Automatic Scram
4-Continuation of Existing Outage
5-Reduction
9-Other

[4] Exhibit G - Instructions for (NUREG Preparation of Data Entry sheets for Licensee Event Report (LER) File - NUREG - 1022

[5] Exhibit I-Same Source