

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555

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Docket Nos. 50-390 and 50-391

> Ms. Danielle Droitsch Energy Project The Foundation for Global Sustainability P. O. Box 1101 Knoxville, Tennessee 37901

Dear Ms. Droitsch:

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SUBJECT: WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT - YOUR REQUESTS FOR DOCUMENTS

In your letter to me (undated) which I received on May 14, 1993, you requested that the Energy Project of the Foundation for Global Sustainability be included on the NRC document service list, and also specifically requested a number of documents.

We have revised our document service list as you requested. This puts you on distribution for all future NRC-issued documents on Watts Bar.

All NRC documents that are considered public (e.g., meeting notices, meeting summaries, safety evaluation reports, inspection reports, submittals by the licensees/applicants) are available in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), located at 2120 L Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20037. All plant-specific documents regarding Watts Bar are also available at the Watts Bar/Sequoyah Local Public Document Room (LPDR) located at the Chattanooga-Hamilton County Library, 1001 Broad Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402. Accession lists serve as the primary indices to these records which are in either a paper (pre-1981 records) or microfiche format. The LPDR also maintains a microfiche file of the majority of documents made public by the NRC since 1981, including records on all nuclear power plants, NUREG reports, regulatory guides, proposed rules, topical reports, etc. A computer terminal at the LPDR can be used to locate records in the microfiche file; contact Patricia Maroney at 615-757-5351 for assistance. The on-line system is operational Monday through Friday from approximately 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. For your information, both the PDR staff in Washington, DC, (202-634-3273) and the LPDR program staff in Bethesda, Maryland, (800-638-8081) are available to perform computer searches for the public free of charge. The enclosed Public Document Room Users' Guide, NUREG/BR-0004, Rev. 2, discusses the services available from the PDR in Washington, DC. The enclosed LPDR Directory, NUREG/BR-0088, identifies the NRC's local public document rooms and provides additional information about the LPDR program. In addition to their availability in the PDR and the LPDRs, plant-specific documents which are issued by the NRC, and are formally given a NUREG number, are available for purchase from the Superintendent of Documents,

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The LPDRs do not get paper copies of documents regarding their plant(s), but instead get all of the publicly-available documents in microfiche, including documents on all of the other plants, NUREG reports, high-level waste matters, medical licensing, etc. Microfiche is sent to the LPDRs once a week (Friday). It may take a week or two after documents have been received at the Document Control Desk for microfiche to get to the LPDRs due to the normal processing time involved.

You expressed an interest in knowing in advance of information regarding upcoming meetings. In addition to meeting notices that are placed in the PDR and LPDR. The NRC has phone numbers that interested persons may call to hear recorded messages of upcoming meetings: 301-504-3839 for all Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation meetings, 301-504-1292 for all Commission meetings, and 800-952-9674 for all open enforcement conferences. This mechanism may provide more timely information than the meeting notices.

You specifically requested a number of documents. The availability of those documents is set out below:

- Watts Bar Independent Plant Evaluation (IPE) -- This is a TVA submittal. All TVA submittals are available in the LPDR.
- Watts Bar material traceability review referred to in the April 2, 1993 meeting -- This is Inspection Report 50-390, 391/92-21, dated
 September 18, 1992 (NRC accession number 9209290147), available in the LPDR.
- o The Watts Bar FSAR -- The FSAR (Final Safety Analysis Report) is a TVA submittal, available in microfiche at the LPDR in a notebook labeled "FSAR, Docket No. 50-390/391."
- Documents to show completion status of Watts Bar CAPs and SPs -- The enclosed Watts Bar Safety Evaluation Supplement 11 (NUREG-0847, Supp. 11) provides the status of the CAPs and SPs. Documents referenced by Supplement 11 are all available in the LPDR.
- o "NRC Open Items Workoff Curve WBN-Licensing" -- This is a TVA internal document, not docketed in NRC files and not available in the LPDR.
- o PTIs -- While the NRC inspectors review certain Watts Bar site documents such as PTIs (preoperational test instructions) as part of their inspection efforts, these site documents are not docketed in NRC files and are not available in the LPDR. Inspection findings regarding preoperational tests are documented in inspection reports, which are available in the LPDR.

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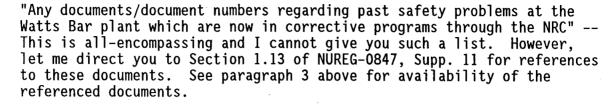
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An inspection report regarding employee concerns mentioned in the meeting of April 21, 1993 -- This is Inspection Report 50-390, 391/93-16 dated March 9, 1993 (accession number 9303180048), and also Inspection Report 50-390, 391/93-24 dated May 9, 1993 (accession number 9305180236). Inspection reports are available in the LPDR.

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- "A CATD which was closed prematurely by Watts Bar staff" -- All CATDs (corrective action tracking documents) are site documents, not docketed in NRC files and not available in the LPDR. The staff's inspection of CATDs is documented in inspection reports, such as 50-390, 391/93-24 mentioned above. All inspection reports are available in the LPDR.
- NRC Safety Evaluation Report (NUREG-0847, Supp. 9) -- NUREG-0847 and Supplements 1 through 11 are available in the LPDR, and available for purchase from the Superintendent of Documents.
- NRC Quarterly Report -- This document cannot be identified from your description.
- o Proposed exemptions for the plant -- Exemptions to certain regulations and reliefs from certain code requirements are granted from time to time by the NRC. In the absence of specifics, I cannot provide any reference to specific documents. However, Section 1.12 of the enclosed NUREG-0847, Supplement 11 provides references to technical issues already approved for exemptions.
 - The EOP and supporting documentation -- The EOP (Emergency Operating Procedures) is a site document, not docketed in NRC files and not available in the LPDR. However, the staff recently performed an EOP inspection, and findings will be documented in Inspection Report 50-390, 391/93-30, which will be issued in the near future. When issued, it will be available in the LPDR.
 - "...a particular 2000 page document which basically outlines the possibility for a nuclear meltdown at the Watts Bar plant" -- This document cannot be identified from your description. While NUREG-1150 (Severe Accident Risks: An Assessment for Five U.S. Nuclear Power Plants) does not specifically discuss Watts Bar, it may provide the information you seek. This document is available for purchase from the Superintendent of Documents and is also available in microfiche at the LPDR.

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Sincerely,

Original signed by

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2. NUREG/BR-0088
3. NUREG-0847, Supp. 11
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