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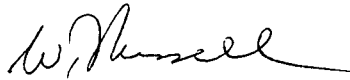
Notice is hereby given that by a Petition dated February 14, 1996, Ms. Faith Young (Petitioner) requests that the NRC take action regarding the use of nearby Watts Bar Lake water to cool the radioactive core of the Watts Bar Nuclear Plant. Petitioner asks that the NRC rescind Watts Bar's license to operate until the issue of increased radioactive contamination of the plant's emissions can be studied and resolved.

Petitioner believes that the lake containing the water used to cool Watts Bar's core contains sediment previously contaminated by radioactive material. Over the lifetime of Watts Bar's operation, according to Petitioner, uncontrolled access to the lake by the plant will disturb this sediment, which will in turn contaminate water drawn into the plant's cooling system. Petitioner believes that the issue of heightened radioactive contamination of nuclear power plant emissions has not been previously addressed. Petitioner requests to be kept advised over the course of the NRC's review, and states both that the utility should not be consulted in advance and that independent evaluation should be a part of the review process.

The Petition is being treated pursuant to 10 CFR § 2.206 of the Commission's regulations and has been referred to the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation. As provided by Section 2.206, appropriate action will be taken on this Petition within a reasonable time.

A copy of the Petition is available for inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room at 2120 L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20037.

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William T. Russell, Director  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Dated at Rockville, Maryland

this 27th day of March , 1996