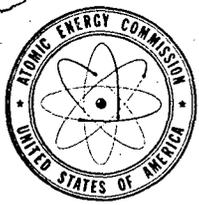


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Dear Mr. Watson:

This will confirm our understanding concerning the procedures which will be followed by the AEC and TVA in implementing certain of the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act with respect to TVA applications for AEC facility licenses.

We understand and agree that TVA will be the "lead agency" with respect to the preparation and circulation for comment of detailed environmental statements for applications for licenses for TVA nuclear power plants. TVA will prepare the draft environmental statement required by the guidelines of the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) and will transmit it to CEQ and to the appropriate Federal, State and local agencies for comment. The AEC will be included in this transmittal. As comments are received from the agencies, we would appreciate it if you would send us copies of the comments.

Upon receipt of the draft environmental statement, we will undertake to prepare appropriate comments on that statement which are within the scope of AEC jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to any environmental impact involved. These comments will be transmitted to TVA on a timely basis. Inasmuch as our radiological review of the application will very likely not be complete at the time our comments on the draft environmental statement are due, we may not be in a position to provide complete comments on the portions of the draft environmental statement dealing with radiological safety aspects of the facility involved.

With respect to the preparation of the final detailed environmental statement by TVA, we would expect to provide informal advice with respect to those portions of the statements which are of particular concern to the AEC.

We are also in agreement that the final detailed environmental statement prepared by TVA will satisfy the AEC requirements specified in Appendix D to 10 CFR Part 50 for an environmental report and that TVA should provide us with 150 copies of that statement in accordance with Appendix D.

Sincerely,

( signed ) Harold L. Price

Harold L. Price  
Director of Regulation

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