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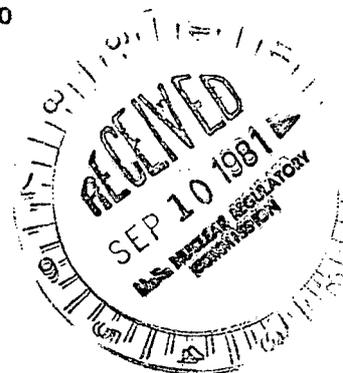
Dear Mr. Parris:

Subject: Watts Bar Review Schedule and Requests for Information

Our letters of July 9, 1981 and July 20, 1981 emphasized the need for TVA to provide timely responses for a certain amount of information in order for our reviews to proceed in an orderly manner. Concurrently, the staff has conducted numerous review meetings at the plant site and at your offices to assure that the reviews are completed on an accelerated schedule.

We received your informal submittals on August 14, 1981, which are considered seriously deficient for the following reasons:

- 1) Your Sequoyah-Watts Bar facility comparison lacks the comprehensiveness that is fundamental to our Watts Bar review. As you know, the uniqueness to this review is that we will forego detailed reviews of the Watts Bar systems provided the comparative analysis gives the assurance that no further reviews beyond Sequoyah are necessary. Guidance on this matter was provided in our letter of July 20, 1981. This approach was intended to substantially reduce the review time required by the NRC staff; however, it is not meeting our expectations. In some instances, it has led to confusion among the staff reviewers. Your evaluation and/or comments are requested on continuing this approach for the Watts Bar review.
- 2) We have yet to receive responses (both formal and informal) to all the pre-TMI and post TMI requests for information. These responses were due in early June and July 1981, respectively. The outstanding requests for information are listed in the attachment.
- 3) We have not received (formally) the discussion on the implementation of NUREG-0737 into the Watts Bar design.
- 4) We have yet to receive a response to our letters dated July 9 and July 20, 1981. These responses were requested to be received by us no later than July 31, 1981.



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In summary, your inability to provide the needed information in accordance with our schedule has impacted our review to the extent that we no longer can meet the Bevill report schedule.

Furthermore, as noted in our letter of July 9, 1981, limited manpower resources required each schedule to fall in a "window" of time. The Watts Bar review has exceeded this period, consequently, a new schedule must be developed based on a realistic assessment of when TVA can provide adequate responses to meet our needs.

Please provide within 5 days of receipt of this letter a detailed schedule for the submittal of our requests based on the remaining open items identified in the attachment. Failure to respond in a timely manner will be interpreted by the staff as an inability of TVA to support an OL review of the Watts Bar docket at this time. Our reviews of Watts Bar will be severely curtailed until TVA can demonstrate an interest and provide support for an expedited review schedule. Once we have evidence of such support we will reschedule the Watts Bar review to complement that support as best we can.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
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Attachment:
As stated

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REMAINING OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS.

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT

UNIT 1 AND 2

PRE-TMI QUESTIONS

22.44
22.49
31.49/21.25
31.119
40.108
40.110
40.114
40.121
40.122
212.97
413.12
413.18

POST-TMI QUESTIONS

31.146
31.147
31.148
112.38
112.39
112.40*
112.41*
112.42*
112.43*
112.44*
112.45*
112.46*
112.47*
112.48*
371.28**
281.2**
281.3**
281.4**
362.44**
450.1**
450.2**

The following are the outstanding open items that have not been assigned question numbers:

ICSB concerns - 22 items remaining from the June 4 and 5, 1981, June 29 - July 1, 1981, July 21 - 23, 1981, and August 19, 1981 meetings. These have been listed in a letter dated August 27, 1981.

RSB concerns - 6 items as listed in a June 29, 1981 letter to TVA.

ASB concerns - 48 items resulting from the ASB review meeting held August 25-27, 1981.

PSB concerns - 75 items scheduled to be discussed at resolution meeting during week of September 14, 1981.

* Questions resulting from MEB draft SER review meeting held week of May 25, 1981.

** Questions sent to TVA informally on July 22, 1981 and formally on August 10, 1981.