

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE 37401

400 Chestnut Street Tower II

April 3, 1981

Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Attention: Mr. A. Schwencer, Chief
Licensing Branch No. 2
Division of Licensing
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555



Dear Mr. Schwencer:

In the Matter of the Application of) Docket Nos. 50-390
Tennessee Valley Authority) 50-391

In my letter to L. S. Rubenstein dated October 30, 1980, TVA requested extensions of the latest dates, specified in the construction permits for Watts Bar Nuclear Plant units 1 and 2, to May 1982 and February 1983 for the respective units. TVA now finds that construction of Watts Bar units 1 and 2 may not be completed until June 1982 and March 1983 respectively. This delay is principally due to additional safety-related work associated with NRC requirements for pipe supports and anchors (OIE Bulletin 79-14) and Three Mile Island related areas. An additional delay has been caused by unanticipated delays in construction and progress on preoperational testing.

Because of the possibility of additional delays and to provide time for completion of these units with an allowance for contingencies, we request that the latest completion date specified in Construction Permit No. CPPR-91 (unit 1) be extended to June 1983 and Construction Permit No. CPPR-92 (unit 2) be extended to March 1984.

The remittance of \$1,600 is being wired to the NRC, Attention: Licensing Fee Management Branch for processing this request.

Very truly yours,

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

L. M. Mills
L. M. Mills, Manager
Nuclear Regulation and Safety

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 3rd day of April 1981

Bryant M. Lowery
Notary Public
My Commission Expires 4/4/82

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