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Gentlemen:

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

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT (WBN) - UPPER HEAD INJECTION (UHI) REMOVAL/UPFLOW
CONVERSION - SCHEDULE FOR FINAL SAFETY ANALYSIS REPORT (FSAR) SUBMITTAL

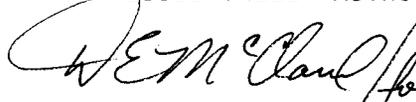
TVA's letter dated August 31, 1987, notified NRC that TVA will implement the modification to alter the direction of the flow in the baffle barrel region from opposite of coreflow (downflow) to parallel to coreflow (upflow). This modification should prevent the apparent baffle jetting problems at plants similar to WBN (downflow).

As discussed in TVA's June 15, 1987 letter, the FSAR, chapter 15 modifications for UHI removal and the upflow conversion will be combined. It was TVA's intent to submit the FSAR, chapter 15 revisions by March 14, 1988; however, a recent submittal from Westinghouse will result in further changes to the FSAR. TVA now plans to submit chapter 15, along with other FSAR changes to reflect UHI removal and upflow conversion, to NRC by July 15, 1988.

If there are any questions, please telephone D. A. Kulisek at (615) 365-8650.

Very truly yours,

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