

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

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June 6, 1980

Mr. James P. O'Reilly, Director
Office of Inspection and Enforcement
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region II - Suite 3100
101 Marietta Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT UNITS 1 AND 2 - CONTROL ROD DROP EVENTS
YIELD LESS CONSERVATIVE DNBR'S THAN STATED IN FSAR - NCR NEB
79-7 - THIRD INTERIM REPORT

The subject deficiency was initially reported to NRC-OIE Region II
Inspector F. Cantrell, on November 19, 1979, in accordance with
10 CFR 50.55(e). Interim reports were submitted on December 17, 1979,
and April 1, 1980.

TVA is reviewing the corrective action recommended by Westinghouse.
We will submit our next report by September 5, 1980.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please get in touch
with D. L. Lambert at FTS 857-2581.

Very truly yours,

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L. M. Mills, Manager
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cc: Mr. Victor Stello, Jr., Director ✓
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