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Mr. H. G. Parris
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Dear Mr. Parris:

SUBJECT: REACTOR OPERATOR TRAINING AND LICENSING FOR WATTS BAR

We have reviewed your letter of April 14, 1980, which requested a review of additional training for future applicants for licenses at the Watts Bar Nuclear Plant Units 1 and 2. Members of Watts Bar operating staff are currently participating in the startup test program at Sequoyah (SNP). In addition, you indicate that nine of the Watts Bar staff meet the requirements for cold licensing at SNP. You further indicate that additional Watts Bar SRO and RO applicants will be rotated through the SNP power test program for a minimum of two months.

The reason for licensing a number of Watts Bar staff is to provide them with additional experience and reduce SNP overtime requirements. In addition, the need for consultants with operating experience would be eliminated during the Watts Bar startup program.

We concur with your proposal to license nine Senior Operators at SNP and have them participate as licensed personnel commensurate with similar duties at Watts Bar during their stay at SNP. We have further determined that this additional experience by your staff should not require the need for additional consultants during the Watts Bar test program.

We request you file a summary of experience of the nine prospective senior operators to the Operator Licensing Branch to verify eligibility for licensing. In addition, provide an outline of the training program that will be conducted at SNP prior to filing license applications. We will require that applicants be administered complete examinations which include operating tests utilizing the SNP Simulator.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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