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June 26, 1980

Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Attention: Mr. A. Schwencer, Chief
Light Water Reactors 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. 50-328
Tennessee Valley Authority) 50-390
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In letters to L. S. Rubenstein dated September 28, 1979 (Watts Bar), and March 7, 1980 (Sequoyah), TVA requested extensions of the latest completion dates specified in the construction permits for Sequoyah Nuclear Plant unit 2 and Watts Bar Nuclear Plant units 1 and 2. In a letter dated April 4, 1980, from L. S. Rubenstein to H. G. Parris, the NRC responded to TVA's request on Sequoyah unit 2 by authorizing an extension of the construction completion date to May 1, 1981. To date, TVA has not received a response to the September 28, 1979, request for extensions to March 1981 and December 1981 for Watts Bar units 1 and 2.

TVA has since reevaluated the time required to implement additional safety requirements and has adopted a policy of using a range of fuel loading schedules. Because of the resultant changes in design scope and availability of manpower, TVA has determined that construction of Sequoyah unit 2 and Watts Bar units 1 and 2 may not be completed until July 1981, November 1981, and August 1982 for each of the respective units. However, expeditious treatment of the additional requirements may result in completion as early as January 1981 of Sequoyah unit 2 and May 1981 and February 1982 of Watts Bar units 1 and 2.

In the event that the specified units will be completed by the earlier completion dates, TVA will continue to use January 1981, May 1981, and February 1982 as milestones for completion of licensing for these units.

Very truly yours,

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

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UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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TO ALL POWER REACTOR APPLICANTS AND LICENSEES

Gentlemen:

Enclosed with this letter is a Commission Memorandum and Order dated May 27, 1980. The Order contains decisions on the Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS) petition of May 2, 1978 for reconsideration of a previous Memorandum and Order dated April 13, 1978. The April 13, 1978 Order responded to the UCS original petition of November 4, 1977. This petition sought action in two areas: fire protection for electrical cables, and environmental qualification of electrical components.

This Memorandum and Order is provided for your information. In the near future, you will be provided with further guidance and requirements to implement the decisions contained in the Order.

Sincerely,

Laurel G. Eisenhut
Laurel G. Eisenhut, Director
Division of Licensing

Enclosure:
Memorandum and Order

see sub. files
cc: Service List

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