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

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

SEQUOYAH AND WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANTS - CONTROL ROD DROP EVENTS - NCR NEB 79-6 AND NCR NEB 79-7 - FIRST INTERIM REPORT

The subject deficiency was initially reported to NRC-OIE Inspector F. S. Cantrell on November 19, 1979, in accordance with 10 CFR 50.55(e). Enclosed is our first interim report. We expect to submit our next report by April 1, 1980.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please get in touch with D. L. Lambert at FTS 854-2581.

Very truly yours,

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L. M. Mills, Manager Nuclear Regulation and Safety

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cc: Mr. Victor Stello, Jr., Director (Enclosure)

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