

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

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January 3, 1980

Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Attention: Mr. D. F. Ross, Jr., Director
Division of Project Management
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Ross:

In the Matter of the Application of)	Docket Nos.	50-259,	50-260
Tennessee Valley Authority)		50-296,	50-327
			50-328,	50-390
			50-391,	50-438
			50-439	

This is in response to your November 21, 1979, letter to Applicants for Operating Licenses and Licensees of Plants under Construction on the Subject of Upgraded Emergency Plans. Included in that letter were the following:

Emergency Planning Review Guideline Number One - Revision 1, dated September 7, 1979

Basis for Emergency Action Levels for Nuclear Power Facilities

These two subjects were addressed for Sequoyah Nuclear Plant in an October 30, 1979, letter from L. M. Mills to L. S. Rubenstein in response to the October 10, 1979, letter from D. G. Eisenhut. As stated in the October 30, 1979, letter, we believe that the Sequoyah Nuclear Plant Radiological Emergency Plan (REP) meets the current requirements of Regulatory Guide 1.101 and Appendix E to 10 CFR Part 50. We also believe that the Browns Ferry emergency plan meets the current criteria.

It is TVA's intent to revise the emergency plans for all TVA nuclear plants including Sequoyah, Browns Ferry, Watts Bar, and Bellefonte to meet the new NRC requirements for licensee plans as addressed in our October 30, 1979, letter.

With respect to the new requirements as they apply to State and local emergency plans, it is our understanding that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has been given the responsibility for review of

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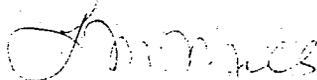
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these plans. Although TVA does not have the authority for offsite emergency planning, TVA is working closely with State and local agencies to ensure timely implementation of revisions necessitated by new requirements. We expect to complete this effort in a time frame consistent with the FEMA review.

Very truly yours,

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L. M. Mills, Manager
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