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September 10, 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:

SEQUOYAH NUCLEAR PLANT UNIT 2 AND WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT UNITS 1 AND 2 - DEFECTIVE REACTOR VESSEL UPPER INTERNALS GUIDE TUBE SUPPORT PINS - NCR SQN NEB 8006 AND NCR WEN NEB 8001 - THIRD INTERIM REPORT

The subject deficiency was initially reported to NRC-OIE Inspector M. J. Gouge on March 24, 1980, in accordance with 10 CFR 50.55(e). Interim reports were submitted on April 23, 1980, and July 24, 1980. We expect to submit our next report by December 15, 1980.

Westinghouse has submitted a report to TVA with their evaluation of the guide tube pins taken from an operating plant. TVA is reviewing this information. No final decision has been made as to the acceptability of the guide tube pins. Replacement of the pins at Sequoyah unit 2 and Watts Bar units 1 and 2 is proceeding so as not to impact the current construction schedule.

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

Very truly yours,

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