

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

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June 11, 1984

Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Attention: Ms. E. Adensam, Chief
Licensing Branch No. 4
Division of Licensing
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Ms. Adensam:

In the Matter of the Application of)	Docket Nos.	50-390
Tennessee Valley Authority)		50-391

Reference: E. G. Adensam's letter to H. G. Parris dated May 3, 1984.

The referenced letter requested that TVA provide additional information and clarification concerning the analysis and mitigation of steam generator tube rupture (SGTR) events at Watts Bar Nuclear Plant (WBN). As a result of this request, TVA has joined an existing Westinghouse Owners Group subgroup which was formed to address this issue on a generic basis for Westinghouse near-term operating license (NTOL) plants. As a member of this subgroup, TVA will respond to the questions listed in enclosure 2 of the referenced letter in conjunction with the activities of the subgroup. The schedule for issuance of a generic report by the subgroup is presently the fourth quarter of 1984. In addition, TVA will implement corrective actions recommended by the subgroup and approved by the NRC Staff.

Based on TVA's participation in the Westinghouse Owners Group subgroup and our commitment to provide the requested responses and to implement corrective actions approved by the NRC Staff, TVA would propose that this issue be treated as a confirmatory issue to be resolved and corrective actions implemented before startup following the first refueling outage for WBN unit 1. This approach would be consistent with action taken by NRC Staff for other NTOL plants.

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If you have any questions concerning this matter, please get in touch with D. P. Ormsby at FTS 858-2682.

Very truly yours,

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L. M. Mills, Manager
Nuclear Licensing

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 11th day of June 1984


Notary Public
My Commission Expires 9-5-84

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