

# TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE 37401

400 Chestnut Street Tower II

August 30, 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

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W has modified, for applicability to WBN, an existing generic report addressing RCS flow measurement uncertainties. The generic report was modified to account for differences in the WBN Rosemount RTDs from those that were used in the development of the generic report. The W analysis yielded a 1.5-percent calorimetric uncertainty and a .2 percent elbow tap normalization uncertainty. In addition to the 1.5 percent calorimetric and .2 percent elbow tap normalization uncertainties, a .1 percent feedwater venturi fouling uncertainty should also be applied thus yielding a RCS flow measurement uncertainty of 1.8 percent.

To allow for scheduling conflicts and plant availability during startup, TVA plans to calibrate the process components 14 days before and after the required Technical Specification channel test (Surveillance Requirement 4.2.3.4).

Enclosed is a copy of both the proprietary and nonproprietary versions of "Westinghouse Report on RCS Flow Uncertainties with the Use of Rosemount RTDs" (Enclosure 1). In addition, we have enclosed the W authorization letter CAW-84-79 and an accompanying affidavit (Enclosure 1).

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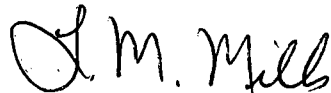
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Also enclosed are proposed modifications to the unit 1 Technical Specifications consistent with the discussions above (Enclosure 2). Technical Specification Figure 3.2-3, "RCS Total Flow Rate Versus R", will need to be revised and will be forwarded in the near future.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please get in touch with D. B. Ellis at FTS 858-2681.


Very truly yours,

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY



L. M. Mills, Manager  
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Sworn to and subscribed before me  
this 30<sup>th</sup> day of August 1984

  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires 9-5-84

Enclosures (2)

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Attn: Mr. James P. O'Reilly Administrator  
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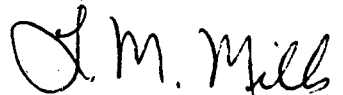
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ENCLOSURE 1

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT

WESTINGHOUSE AUTHORIZATION LETTER CAW-84-79  
WESTINGHOUSE AFFIDAVIT AW-76-60  
WESTINGHOUSE REPORT "RCS FLOW UNCERTAINTIES WITH THE  
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