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Gentlemen:

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

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT (WBN) UNITS 1 AND 2 - GENERIC LETTER 89-04 GUIDANCE ON DEVELOPING ACCEPTABLE INSERVICE TESTING (IST)

The purpose of this letter is to request deferral of the six month review and confirmation letter requested by Generic Letter 89-04 for TVA's WBN. In place of the six month review, TVA proposes to submit to NRC, six months before the expected date of issuance of WBN's operating license, a revised American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Section XI Inservice Pump and Valve Test (P&VT) Program. This program will comply with the requirements in 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(4)(i) and the guidance in Generic Letter 89-04.

TVA's reason for requesting this relief is that it is premature to revise the existing P&VT program to GL 89-04 requirements since the basis for this program will not be identified until twelve months before the issuance of the WBN Unit 1 operating license. In addition, WBN currently has suspended its P&VT activities since the affected systems are either not in service or in layup as a result of WBN's delayed startup date.

The enclosure provides the commitment made in this submittal. If you have any additional questions, please telephone M. J. Ray at extension (615) 751-8438.

Very truly yours,

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ENCLOSURE

COMMITMENT

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