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Gentlemen:

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

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT (WBN) - CONFORMANCE TO REGULATORY GUIDE 1.97 REVISION 2

TVA has reevaluated its position on Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.97 communicated by our letter of January 30, 1984, and WBN now commits to conform to RG 1.97, Revision 2. There are a limited number of specific exceptions which TVA believes are necessary, and TVA is currently finalizing the list of these items. TVA is currently implementing a program to assure RG 1.97, Revision 2 compliance.

In August 1990, TVA will provide a submittal identifying the exceptions, complete with their justification. The August 1990 submittal will include a Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) change notice addressing compliance with each of the RG 1.97 requirements and defining TVA's current position which is more consistent with the regulatory position in RG 1.97, Revision 2, than the position described in TVA's January 30, 1984 submittal. This submittal will also address the comments and questions provided in NRC's July 24, 1986 letter.

The enclosure lists the commitment made in this submittal.

If there are any questions, please telephone G. R. Ashley at (615) 365-8527.

Very truly yours,

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LIST OF COMMITMENTS

In August 1990, TVA will provide a revised submittal addressing RG 1.97, Revision 2 compliance. This submittal will include a Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) change notice addressing compliance with each of the RG 1.97 requirements, as well as justification for exceptions and responses to NRC July 24, 1986 questions and comments.