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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk Washington, D.C. 20555

Gentlemen:

In the Matter of the Application of) Docket No. 50-390 Tennessee Valley Authority)

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT (WBN) - WITHDRAWAL OF THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PROGRAM (CAP) PLAN FOR THE PRESTART TEST PROGRAM

By letter of January 21, 1992, TVA provided NRC with Amendment 69 to the WBN Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) which completely revised Chapter 14, "Initial Test Program." The Chapter 14 revision reflects TVA's recent decision, as discussed with NRC on several occasions, to reperform a Regulatory Guide 1.68 preoperational test program in support of licensing WBN Unit 1. The purpose of this letter is to provide a basis for that decision and to withdraw the WBN Prestart Test CAP (Revision 2) submitted to NRC June 26, 1989.

TVA's decision to reperform the WBN Unit 1 Preoperational Test Program ensures that a comprehensive approach based on current regulatory guidance will be taken to demonstrate the capability of plant equipment to perform its designed function as required for fuel loading activities. The program represents WBN's best and most rigorous testing alternative in view of significant delays, numerous modifications, the potential for equipment damage, and the many WBN programmatic recovery initiatives since original preoperational testing activities were performed. Additionally, reperformance of preoperational testing provides a more effective methodology than WBN's previous approach which relied on test results achieved under two different test programs of different vintage.

Therefore, because reperformance of the WBN Unit 1 Preoperational Test Program exceeds the scope of the Prestart Test Program, the Prestart Test CAP and commitments therein are hereby withdrawn.

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The discussion of the Prestart Test Program provided in WBN's Nuclear Performance Plan, Volume 4 (Revision 1 - September 6, 1991) (Chapter III, Section 2.12) is superseded by this letter.

Enclosure 1 provides the coversheet and revision log for the cancelled Prestart Test CAP. If there are any questions, please telephone P. L. Pace at (615) 365-1824.

Sincerely,

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	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION FOR WATTS BAR PRESTART TEST PROGRAM	REVISION LOG
Revision No.	Description of Revision	Date Approv
0	Initial issue.	12/08/
1	The following sections had minor changes made for clarification: 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.5, 4.6, 4.7, 4.9, 4.10, 6.0, 6.1, 6.2, 7.1, 7.2, Exhibit A and Attachment 1. (First revision sent to NRC)	12/20/
2	Table 1: Added Systems 27, 213, 214, 215, and 232. Clarified note to say that *'d systems will be included with System 88. Added **'d note. Corrected system titles. Exhibit A: Rewritten to enhance bases for exclusions.	6/14/
3	Cancellation. CAP withdrawn on basis WBN will reperfor the Preoperational Test Program using RG 1.68 (Rev 2) a as discussed in Amendment 69 to FSAR Chapter 14.	rm 2/13/1