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Mr. James P. O'Reilly, Director
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

OFFICE OF INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT BULLETIN 79-03 - RII:JPO 50-390,
-391, -438, -439, -518, -519, -520, -521, -553, -554, -566, -567 -
WATTS BAR, BELLEFONTE, HARTSVILLE, PHIPPS BEND, AND YELLOW CREEK
NUCLEAR PLANTS

In response to your March 12, 1979, letter which transmitted OIE
Bulletin 79-03, we are enclosing the final response for the Hartsville,
Phipps Bend, and Yellow Creek Nuclear Plants. However, we have not
completed our investigations for the Watts Bar and Bellefonte Nuclear
Plants. We anticipate transmitting the final response for Watts
Bar and Bellefonte to you on or before September 14, 1979. If you
have any questions concerning this matter, please call Tish Jenkins
at FTS 854-2014.

Very truly yours,

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

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RESPONSE TO OIE BULLETIN 79-03
DATED MARCH 12, 1979

LONGITUDINAL WELD DEFECTS IN ASME SA-312 TYPE 304
STAINLESS STEEL PIPE SPOOLS MANUFACTURED BY YOUNGSTOWN
WELDING AND ENGINEERING COMPANY (YWEC)

HARTSVILLE, PHIPPS BEND, AND YELLOW CREEK NUCLEAR PLANTS

TVA's investigation of this bulletin has demonstrated that no ASME SA stainless steel piping, manufactured by YWEC, has been procured for use in safety-related systems at Hartsville, Phipps Bend, and Yellow Creek Nuclear Plants.

WATTS BAR AND BELLEFONTE NUCLEAR PLANTS

TVA's investigations to date have shown that none of the subject piping is in use or planned for use in safety-related systems at our Watts Bar or Bellefonte Nuclear Plants. Our investigations for this bulletin for the Watts Bar and Bellefonte Nuclear Plants will be complete upon receipt of the following:

Watts Bar: Information forthcoming from the piping support and mechanical penetration vendor concerning the suspect material.

Bellefonte: Information forthcoming from the subcontractors to Babcock & Wilcox (B&W), the NSSS vendor, and NAVCO, a piping vendor, concerning the suspect material.

NOTE: B&W and NAVCO have confirmed that preliminary investigations revealed none of the YWEC suspect material was sent to the Bellefonte site.

It is expected that results of the investigations for this bulletin will be completed and forwarded to you on or before September 14, 1979.