

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

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April 19, 1982

Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555



Dear Mr. Denton:

In the Matter of the)
Tennessee Valley Authority)

Docket Nos. 50-259
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The purpose of this letter is to document discussions with the NRC Staff (D. Khasun-WISS and D. McGuire-OIE, Region II) regarding the requirements of 10 CFR 73, "Physical Protection of Plants and Materials."

Based on these discussions, our understanding of an acceptable position regarding security storage containers is as follows. TVA office buildings which are attended around the clock or locked at night and on weekends qualify as controlled access areas. Therefore, a "steel filing cabinet equipped with a steel locking bar and a three-position, changeable combination, GSA-approved padlock" is fully adequate. A GSA-approved security container is also adequate, but is only required in an uncontrolled access area.

Please inform us immediately if your understanding of this matter is not in agreement with the above discussion.

Very truly yours,

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

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L. M. Mills, Manager
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of April 1982.

Paulette H. White
Notary Public

My Commission Expires 9-5-84

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