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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region II  
Attn: Mr. James P. O'Reilly, Regional Administrator  
101 Marietta Street, Suite 3100  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

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WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT UNITS 1 AND 2 - FAILURE OF SAFETY-RELATED  
WESTINGHOUSE GATE VALVES - NCR WBN NEB 8013 - SEVENTH INTERIM REPORT

The subject condition was initially reported to NRC-OIE Inspector R. W. Wright on October 31, 1980 in accordance with 10 CFR 50.55(e). Interim reports were submitted on December 1, 1980 and March 23, June 3, September 1, and November 18, 1981 and February 11, 1982. We expect to provide our next report by July 21, 1982. TVA considers 10 CFR 21 applicable to this nonconformance.

TVA is continuing to perform field modifications as described previously. As reported under NCR 3793R, per 10 CFR 50.55(e), Westinghouse believes that the failure of the Limitorque motor operators on three gate valves subsequent to the modifications is a materials problem. Westinghouse is continuing the investigation via Field Deficiency Report number WATM-10165. Our final report on this matter will be provided upon receipt of revised drawings and field change notices from Westinghouse.

If you have any questions, please get in touch with R. H. Shell at FTS 858-2688.

Very truly yours,

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