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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Re: Tennessee Valley Authority  
(March 20, 1986 letter)

Dear Mr. Chairman and Commissioners:

Because of their potential impact on any regulatory or enforcement action related to TVA's March 20, 1986 letter concerning its Nuclear Safety Review Staff's perceptions of Appendix B compliance at the Watts Bar facility, we are providing to you the enclosed affidavits of Messrs. John A. Olshinski, Richard H. Vollmer, and Darrell Eisenbut. As indicated by the letter to which the affidavits are attached, these statements were provided to the Department of Justice last Thursday.

All three of the affiants are former senior members of the NRC Staff. In the 1985 and 1986 timeframe, all three affiants had significant responsibilities for the oversight of TVA; and all three affiants were significantly involved in NRC's review of and response to the March 20 letter. The statements of each of these affiants is fully consistent with TVA and Admiral White's position on the March 20 letter. None of the affiants was

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interviewed by the Office of Investigations during its investigation.

Sincerely,



Deborah B. Bauser  
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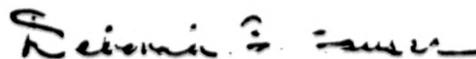
Dear Mr. Shine:

I understand that my partner, Gerry Charnoff, advised you that we would be sending over to you some information pertinent to your TVA Appendix B investigation. Enclosed are affidavits prepared by John A. Olskinski, Richard H. Vollmer, and Darrell Eisenhut. All three of the affiants are former high ranking NRC personnel who had responsibilities at the NRC that included oversight of TVA licensed activities. While the three affiants were involved in the NRC's review of the March 20, 1986 letter from TVA, none of them has been interviewed by NRC's Office of Investigation on this matter.

In view of the NRC's review of the OI report in connection with the grant of restart authorization of TVA's Sequoyah nuclear plant, we anticipate filing these affidavits with the NRC within the next few days.

We look forward to the opportunity to meet with you to discuss your ongoing investigation.

Sincerely,



Deborah B. Bauser

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