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SUBJECT: TERMINATION OF THE JANUARY 30, 1986, ORDER REGARDING QUALITY
TECHNOLOGY COMPANY (QTC) RECORDS (TAC NO. M83202)

Dear Mr. Kingsley:

On January 30, 1986, the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) issued an Order which addressed records of QTC resulting from your Employee Concern Program. Section V(A) of the Order directed that TVA prohibit the removal or destruction of the unexpurgated original QTC records from TVA-controlled property, the destruction of such records, the deletion of information from such records, or any action which could compromise the integrity of the information contained in the records, without prior written approval of the Director of NRR. Section V(B) required TVA to provide five working days notice before QTC relinquishes control or custody of the unexpurgated records. Section V(C) required QTC to permit inspection and copying of the unexpurgated original records by NRC representatives.

Section V of the Order stated that the Director of NRR may relax or terminate any of the conditions for good cause. Supplement 13 of the Watts Bar Safety Evaluation Report (SSER 13, NUREG-0847) provides an account of all the activities that have been accomplished since issuance of the Order through mid 1994. The staff completed the inspection and copying of the unexpurgated original records in 1986. There is no foreseeable need for the staff to perform similar actions in the future. Thus, in accordance with Section V of the Order, Section V(C) is rescinded.

Section V(A) of the Order was partially rescinded (see letter, D. G. Eisenhower to TVA, dated April 18, 1986), thus permitting the records to be removed from TVA-controlled property. The staff understands that since that time, the records have been kept in a safe by QTC (currently renamed Thero Services, Inc.) in Lebo, Kansas. The original intent of the order still stands, i.e. that TVA or anyone outside QTC must not have access to the records. Thero Services, Inc., may cease to exist one day, together with its contractual obligation with TVA to store the records. Thus, in the interest of ensuring long-term secure storage, the staff has spoken with TVA personnel (Mr. Mike Harding et al.) and Thero Services, Inc., personnel (Mr. Owen Thero) and has arranged to have all the records shipped to NRC Headquarters for storage under the staff's control and at the staff's expense. Mr. Peter Tam, Project Manager for Watts Bar will accept the records on the staff's behalf from Mr. Thero on or about April 29, 1996. Section V(A) of the Order is rescinded when Thero Services, Inc., relinquishes all the records to the NRC staff.

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Section V(B) will become moot when Thero Services, Inc., relinquishes all the original records to the staff and is, thus, rescinded at that time.

Sincerely,

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**W. Davis concurred via E-Mail.