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November 18, 1996

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Gentlemen:

In the Matter of)
Tennessee Valley Authority)

Docket Nos.	50-259	50-390
	50-260	50-391
	50-296	50-438
	50-327	50-439
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**BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT (BFN) (TAC NOS. M97020, M97021, M97022),
SEQUOYAH NUCLEAR PLANT (SQN), WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT (WBN), AND
BELLEFONTE NUCLEAR PLANT (BLN) RESPONSE TO NRC GENERIC LETTER (GL) 96-05,
"PERIODIC VERIFICATION OF DESIGN-BASIS CAPABILITY OF SAFETY-RELATED
MOTOR-OPERATED VALVES," DATED SEPTEMBER 18, 1996**

This letter provides TVA's 60-day response to the subject GL. TVA has reviewed GL 96-05, "Periodic Verification of Design-Basis Capability of Safety-Related Motor-Operated Valves" and plans to implement the requested actions of the GL.

In accordance with the subject GL, TVA will submit a summary description of the GL 96-05 MOV PV Program by March 17, 1997, for BFN, SQN, and WBN. TVA will also provide a schedule of each site's implementation of this program by March 17, 1997. This approach was discussed with Tom Scarbrough (NRC) on November 11, 1996. In addition, due to the reduced level of activity and preservation mode at BLN, TVA's proposed course of action is to establish and submit a summary description of the GL 96-05 MOV PV Program and a schedule for implementation no later than six months prior to fuel load of each unit.

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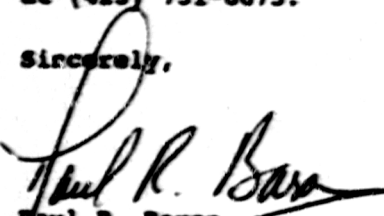
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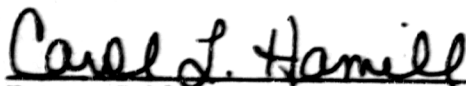
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The enclosure summarizes the commitments contained in this letter. If you have questions regarding this response, please contact Terry Knuttel at (423) 751-6673.

Sincerely,


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Subscribed to and sworn to before me
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ENCLOSURE

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TVA COMMITMENTS

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