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In the Matter of the)	Docket Nos.	50-259	50-327
Tennessee Valley Authority)		50-260	50-328
			50-296	50-390

BROWNS FERRY (BFN), SEQUOYAH (SQN), AND WATTS BAR (WBN) NUCLEAR PLANTS - RESPONSE TO GENERIC LETTER 95-07 - "PRESSURE LOCKING AND THERMAL BINDING OF SAFETY-RELATED POWER-OPERATED GATE VALVES"

This letter is in response to the subject Generic Letter (GL) which was issued by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) on August 17, 1995. TVA has evaluated the subject GL and, as a result, is providing proposed actions and a schedule for complying with the actions requested by the GL.

As discussed with the staff during NRC inspections of TVA's GL 89-10 Program, TVA has satisfactorily addressed the pressure locking and thermal binding concerns contained in Supplement 6 to GL 89-10 (Reference 1) and NRC IN 95-30 (Reference 2) for applicable Motor-Operated Valves (MOVs). A similar screening evaluation will be performed on the remaining power-operated valves as identified in GL 95-07. TVA expects to complete this screening evaluation by November 15, 1995.

The Westinghouse Owners Group is currently performing a review of the actions associated with the GL. Also, it is our understanding that the staff will be conducting a number of regional workshops in the near future to provide licensees more information regarding the GL requirements and methods of compliance. Because of these upcoming activities and the additional guidance to be provided, TVA will provide to the NRC by February 13, 1996, a schedule for the submittal of the summary evaluation of the susceptible valves operational configuration and the performance of the appropriate corrective actions. Commitments in this response are contained in the enclosure.

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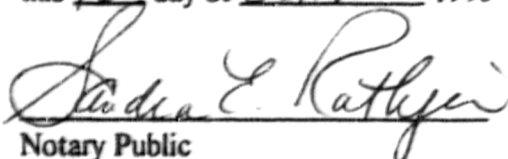
Please contact Mike Hellums of my staff at (615) 751-2695, if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,



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Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 16th day of October 1995


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**TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY
BROWNS FERRY, SEQUOYAH, AND WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANTS**

**GENERIC LETTER 95-07: PRESSURE LOCKING AND THERMAL BINDING OF
SAFETY-RELATED POWER-OPERATED GATE VALVES**

LIST OF COMMITMENTS

1. TVA will perform a screening evaluation of the remaining power operated gate valves by November 15, 1995.
2. TVA will provide by February 13, 1996, a schedule for the submittal of the summary of the evaluations for the operational configuration of susceptible power-operated gate valves and the performance of the appropriate corrective actions.

REFERENCES

1. **GENERIC LETTER 89-10, SUPPLEMENT 6, "INFORMATION ON SCHEDULE AND GROUPING, AND STAFFING RESPONSES TO ADDITIONAL PUBLIC QUESTIONS"**
2. **NRC INFORMATION NOTICE 95-30, SUSCEPTIBILITY OF LOW-PRESSURE COOLANT INJECTION AND CORE SPRAY INJECTION VALVES TO PRESSURE LOCKING**