

Tennessee Valley Authority. 1101 Market Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402-2801

November 4, 1998

Mr. Edward T. Baker, III Agency Allegation Advisor U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Dear Mr. Baker:

This letter requests certain information that will assist TVA Nuclear (TVAN) in maintaining a safety-conscious work environment at each of our nuclear plants and support facilities. TVAN recognizes the importance of maintaining a workplace atmosphere where employees feel free to discuss any nuclear safety or quality concern with their direct supervisors or any level of the TVAN management chain. Also, we recognize, for a variety of reasons, employees may elect to express any such concerns directly to the NRC, and TVA's policy regarding the expression of concerns and differing views expressly recognizes an employees' freedom to use that avenue of communication.

In order to assist us in identifying those general areas in which we can continue to improve communication with our employees, we would appreciate your providing us with certain information contained in the NRC's Allegation Management System database pertaining to Browns Ferry Units 1, 2, and 3; Sequoyah Units 1 and 2; Watts Bar Units 1 and 2; and Bellefonte Units 1 and 2. Specifically, we are interested in information in the database after October 1, 1996, which describes the allegations received by the NRC pertaining to these facilities, the dates the allegations were received, whether the allegations were substantiated, the dates the allegations were closed, and the basis for their closure. I know that you are very sensitive to the fact that none of the information provided to TVA should in any way disclose or give any indication of the identity of the individual who made the allegation. Further, none of the information that you provide in response to this request will be used by TVA in any way to determine the identity of anyone making an allegation to the NRC.

TVA agrees to bear the cost of this request in accordance with NRC's regulations applicable to requests for public records (10 CFR Part 9).

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Please provide the requested information to Michael R. Harding, TVA Nuclear Concern Resolution Program Manager, at the following address: 1101 Market Street, BR 4T, Chattanooga, TN 37402-2801. You may a contact Mr. Harding directly at (423) 751-8989 should you have any questions or need any clarification regarding this request.

Sincerely,

Mark J. Burzynski

Manager

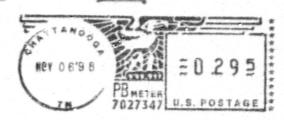
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