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In the Matter of

Docket No. 52-014 and 52-015

Tennessee Valley Authority)

BELLEFONTE COMBINED LICENSE APPLICATION – RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION – REGIONAL CLIMATOLOGY

Reference:

Letter from Joseph Sebrosky (NRC) to Andrea L. Sterdis (TVA), Request for Additional Information Letter No. 099 Related to SRP Section 02.03.01 for the Bellefonte Units 3 and 4 Combined License Application, dated August 5, 2008

This letter provides the Tennessee Valley Authority's (TVA) response to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) request for additional information (RAI) items included in the reference letter.

A response to the NRC request in the subject letter is addressed in the enclosure which does not identify any associated changes to be made in a future revision of the BLN application.

If you should have any questions, please contact Tom Spink at 1101 Market Street, LP5A, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402-2801, by telephone at (423) 751-7062, or via email at tespink@tva.gov.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 29th day of AVG, 2008.

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Enclosure

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Enclosure TVA letter dated August 29, 2008 RAI Response

Response to NRC Request for Additional Information letter No. 099 dated August 5, 2008 (2 pages, including this list)

Subject: Regional Climatology as presented in the Final Safety Analysis Report

RAI Number

Date of TVA Response

02.03.01-10

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Associated Additional Attachments / Enclosures

Pages Included

None

Enclosure TVA letter dated August 29, 2008 RAI Response

NRC Letter Dated: August 5, 2008

NRC Review of Final Safety Analysis Report

NRC RAI NUMBER: 02.03.01-10

FSAR Table 2.0-201 provides a comparison of the AP1000 DCD Site Parameters and BLN Site Characteristics. Sheet 1 of 5 specifically contains a section on the BLN Air Temperature Site Characteristics. SRP Section 2.3.1 discusses the criteria that should be used in selecting air temperature site characteristics. FSAR Section 2.3.1, however, lacks a corresponding write-up and justification identifying the source and representativeness for the values presented in FSAR Table 2.0-201 as the BLN Air Temperature Site Characteristics. Please revise FSAR Section 2.3.1 to address the SRP 2.3.1 criteria for selecting air temperature site characteristic values.

BLN RAI ID: 1139 BLN RESPONSE:

The Maximum Safety and Minimum Safety wet-bulb and dry-bulb temperature site characteristics were originally reported in FSAR Table 2.0-201 as the 0.4% exceedance ASHRAE values given in FSAR Table 2.3-203. To be consistent with the definition of the values provided in the AP1000 DCD, Tier 2 Table 2-1, the 0% exceedance values were selected for the BLN site in response to NRC RAI No.02.03.01-08 (see supplemental response to BLN-RAI-LTR-022). This response also addresses 100-year return period site characteristic values, and the inherent uncertainties associated with their calculation. The response to NRC RAI No.02.03.01-08 revised FSAR Table 2.0-2061, Table 2.3-203, and the text in FSAR Subsection 2.3.1.3.1 to address the revised site characteristic air temperature.

This response is PLANT-SPECIFIC.

ASSOCIATED BLN COL APPLICATION REVISIONS:

Associated COLA revisions are as identified in the response to NRC RAI No.02.03.01-08 (see supplemental response to BLN-RAI-LTR-022).

ASSOCIATED ATTACHMENTS/ENCLOSURES:

None