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Docket: Tennessee Valley Authority (Bellefonte Nuclear Power Plant, Units 3 and 4),

Docket Nos.: 52-014 and 52-015

RE: Agreement of the Parties regarding Mandatory Discovery Disclosures

Dear Licensing Board Members:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the agreement of Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), Intervenors, and the NRC staff regarding discovery disclosures under 10 CFR § 2.336.

The parties have agreed to the following protocol:

- 1. The parties may limit the mandatory discovery disclosures to final documents that they develop, and need not include drafts (including comments on drafts, transmittals of drafts, resolution of comments on drafts, and similar documents).
- 2. If the same document exists in both hard copy and electronic format, a party may produce the electronic copy only.

- 3. The parties have agreed to waive the requirement in 10 C.F.R. §§ 2.336(a)(3) and 2.336(b)(5) to produce a privilege log. The parties will still produce as part of their disclosures a list of any documents withheld as proprietary.
- 4. A party need not identify or produce any document that has been served on the other parties to this proceeding.
- 5. The parties need not identify or produce press clippings.
- 6. In connection with the staff's submittal of the hearing file, the staff will identify all relevant documents available via the NRC's website or ADAMS, as required by 10 C.F.R. §§ 2.336(b) and 2.1203. The parties shall not otherwise be required to identify or produce docketed correspondence or other documents available via the NRC's website or ADAMS.
- 7. Until the staff issues the final environmental impact statement (EIS), the continuing obligation of the parties under 10 C.F.R. § 2.336(d) to update their respective disclosures is modified so that information or documents subsequently developed or obtained must be disclosed within 30 days.

Respectfully submitted,
Signed (electronically) by
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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on September 22, 2008 a copy of "Agreement of the Parties regarding Mandatory Discovery Disclosures" was filed electronically with the Electronic Information Exchange on the following recipients:

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