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> Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant, Units 1, 2, and 3 Facility Operating License Nos. DRR-33, DPR-52, DPR-68 NRC Docket Nos. 50-259, 50-260, and 50-296

Subject:

Technical Specifications Change Request TS-466-T – Request for One-Time Extension of Completion Time for Emergency Diesel Generators; Extension of Time to Respond to NRC Request for Supplemental Information (NRC TAC Nos. ME1515, ME1516 and ME1517)

References:

 Letter from TVA to NRC TVA-BFN-TS-466-T, "Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant (BFN) – Units 1, 2, and 3 – Technical Specifications (TS) Change TS-466-T – Request for One-Time Extension of TS 3.8.1 Condition B Required Action B.4 Completion Time – Emergency Diesel Generators (EDGs) A, B, C, D, 3A, 3B, 3C, and 3D," dated June 19, 2009.

 Letter from NRC to TVA, "Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant, Units 1, 2, and 3 – Request for Supplemental Information Regarding Extension of Technical Specification Completion Time for Emergency Diesel Generators (TAC Nos. ME1515, ME1516, and ME1517) (TS-466-T)," dated July 10, 2009.

By letter dated June 19, 2009 (Ref. 1), the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) submitted a one-time Technical Specifications (TS) change request to temporarily extend the TS Completion Time (CT) for an Emergency Diesel Generator (EDG) from seven days to 14 days to allow maintenance and modification activities to be performed during plant operation that will contribute to improved EDG reliability and availability. By letter dated July 10, 2009 (Ref. 2), the NRC requested supplemental information in order to make an independent assessment regarding the acceptability of our TS change request in terms of regulatory requirements and the protection of public health and safety and the environment. In its July 10, 2009 letter, the NRC

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requested that TVA supplement the TS change request to address the information requested by the NRC by July 24, 2009.

As agreed to during a discussion among A. G. Howe and E. Brown of the NRC, and R. Krich of TVA, on July 24, 2009, TVA will submit the supplemental information by July 28, 2009. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at 423-751-3628.

Respectfully,

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