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In the Matter of )  
Tennessee Valley Authority )

Docket Nos. 52-014 and 52-015

**BELLEFONTE COMBINED LICENSE APPLICATION – RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR  
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION – FLOW-ACCELERATED CORROSION PROGRAM**

- Reference: 1) Letter from Brian Anderson (NRC) to Andrea L. Sterdis (TVA), Request for Additional Information Letter No. 018 Related to SRP Section 10.03 for the Bellefonte Units 3 and 4 Combined License Application, dated May 13, 2008.
- 2) Letter from Andrea L. Sterdis (TVA) to NRC Document Control Desk, Response to Request for Additional Information – Flow-Accelerated Corrosion Program for the Bellefonte Units 3 and 4 Combined License Application, dated June 27, 2008.
- 3) Letter from Jack Bailey (TVA) to NRC Document Control Desk, Response to Request for Additional Information – Flow-Accelerated Corrosion Program for the Bellefonte Units 3 and 4 Combined License Application, dated May 26, 2009.

This letter provides supplemental information to the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) response (Reference 2) to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) request for additional information (RAI) items included in the Reference 1 letter. The additional information addresses items related to the flow accelerated corrosion program as discussed during a telecom on May 14, 2009. This response revises the supplemental response provided on May 26, 2009 (Reference 3) for RAI 10.03.06-02.

A revised response to RAI 10.03.06-02 in the subject letter is addressed in the enclosure that includes changes that will 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](mailto:tespink@tva.gov).

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

Executed on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of Sep, 2009.

Sincerely,



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Responses to NRC Request for Additional Information letter No. 018 dated May 13, 2008  
(3 pages including this page)

Subject: Flow Accelerated Corrosion Program

<u>RAI Number</u>	<u>Date of TVA Response</u>
10.03.06-01	June 27, 2008; May 26, 2009
10.03.06-02	June 27, 2008; May 26, 2009; Revised by this letter – see following pages
10.03.06-03	June 27, 2008; May 26, 2009

Associated Attachments / Enclosures

Pages Included

None

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**NRC Letter Dated: May 13, 2008**

**NRC Review of Final Safety Analysis Report**

**NRC RAI Number: 10.03.06-02**

Due to factors such as wall thickness tolerance in pipe fabrication and wall thinning due to bending, preservice measurements of as-built components considered susceptible to flow accelerated corrosion (FAC) are needed to accurately detect and assess inservice degradation. Some of the complications resulting from a lack of baseline thickness information are discussed in EPRI NSAC-202L-R2, the industry guideline document referenced in SRP Section 10.3.6. To demonstrate that an effective, long term FAC monitoring program is in place to address concerns discussed in NRC Generic Letter 89-08, please confirm that the program for erosion/corrosion and FAC monitoring will include preservice thickness measurements of as-built considered susceptible to FAC, and that these measurements will use grid locations and measurement methods most likely to be used for inservice inspection according to industry guidelines. In addition, please describe how these program criteria are documented in the COL application.

**BLN RAI ID: 3624**

**BLN RESPONSE:**

Per discussion on May 14, 2009, the original response is revised to read:

The site flow accelerated corrosion program is based on EPRI NSAC-202L-R3. The program requires a grid layout for obtaining consistent pipe thickness measurements when using Ultrasonic Test Techniques. The FAC program obtains actual thickness measurements for highly susceptible FAC locations for new lines as defined in EPRI NSAC-202L-R3. At a minimum, a CHECWORKS type Pass 1 analysis is used for low and highly susceptible FAC locations and a CHECWORKS type Pass 2 analysis is used for highly susceptible FAC locations when the Pass 1 analysis results warrant. To determine wear of piping and components where operating conditions are inconsistent or unknown the guidance provided in EPRI NSAC-202L-R3 is used to determine wear rates. FSAR Section 10.1.3.1 will be modified to reflect using the guidance of EPRI NSAC-202L-R3 and industry operating experience in the generation of the flow accelerated program in a future revision of the BLN COLA.

This response is expected to be STANDARD for the S-COLAs.

**ASSOCIATED BLN COL APPLICATION REVISIONS:**

1. In Revision 1, the COLA Part 2, FSAR Subsection 10.1.3.1, last sentence of the paragraph was revised from:

In addition, the FAC monitoring program considers the information of Generic Letter 89-08 and industry guidelines.

To read:

In addition, the FAC monitoring program considers the information of Generic Letter 89-08, EPRI NSAC-202L-R3, and industry operating experience. The program requires a grid layout for obtaining consistent pipe thickness measurements when using Ultrasonic Test Techniques. The FAC program obtains actual thickness measurements for highly susceptible FAC locations for new lines as defined in EPRI NSAC-202L-R3. At a minimum, a Pass 1 analysis is used for low and highly susceptible FAC locations and a Pass 2 analysis is used for highly susceptible FAC locations when the Pass 1 analysis results warrant. To

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determine wear of piping and components where operating conditions are inconsistent or unknown, the guidance provided in EPRI NSAC-202L is used to determine wear rates.

In a future revision, the above revised material will be further revised from:

The FAC program obtains actual thickness measurements for highly susceptible FAC locations for new lines as defined in EPRI NSAC-202L-R3. At a minimum, a Pass 1 analysis is used for low and highly susceptible FAC locations and a Pass 2 analysis is used for highly susceptible FAC locations when the Pass 1 analysis results warrant.

To read:

The FAC program obtains actual thickness measurements for highly susceptible FAC locations for new lines as defined in EPRI NSAC-202L-R3 (Reference 201). At a minimum, a CHECWORKS type Pass 1 analysis is used for low and highly susceptible FAC locations and a CHECWORKS type Pass 2 analysis is used for highly susceptible FAC locations when Pass 1 analysis results warrant.

2. COLA Part 2, FSAR Section 10.1, will be further revised to include a new Subsection 10.1.4, References, following Subsection 10.1.3:

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Add the following after DCD Subsection 10.1.3:

10.1.4 References

201. EPRI NSAC-202L-R3, *Recommendations for an Effective Flow-Accelerated Corrosion Program (NSAC-202L-R3)*, Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) Technical Report 1011838, Palo Alto, CA, 2006.
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**ASSOCIATED ATTACHMENTS/ENCLOSURES**

None