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Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant, Unit 1
Facility Operating License No. DPR-33
NRC Docket No. 50-259

Subject: **Technical Specifications Change TS-446 – Safety Limit Minimum Critical Power Ratio (SLM CPR) – Cycle 8 Operation (NRC TAC No. MD9255) Withdrawal of Request**

- References:
1. Letter from TVA to NRC, "Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant (BFN) - Unit 1 - Technical Specifications (TS) Change TS-446 – Safety Limit Minimum Critical Power Ratio (SLM CPR) – Cycle 8 Operation," dated July 18, 2008
 2. Letter from to TVA to NRC, "Technical Specification Change TS-467 – Utilization of AREVA Fuel and Associated Analysis Methodologies," dated October 23, 2009

By letter dated July 18, 2009 (Ref. 1), the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) submitted a Technical Specifications (TS) change request to revise the Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant, Unit 1, Safety Limit Minimum Critical Power Ratio (SLM CPR) values to incorporate the results of the SLM CPR analysis performed based on Extended Power Uprate (EPU) conditions for Unit 1 Cycle 8. By letter dated October 23, 2009 (Ref. 2), the TVA submitted TS change request TS-467 to allow utilization of AREVA NP fuel and associated analysis methodologies. TS-467 also includes proposed changes to the Unit 1 SLM CPR values that incorporate the results of the Unit 1 Cycle 9 SLM CPR analysis performed based on EPU conditions. Due to delays in the EPU review for the Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant, approval and implementation of EPU for Unit 1 is not expected to occur during Unit 1 Cycle 8. The proposed changes in TS-467, associated with SLM CPR values, supersede the SLM CPR changes proposed in TS-446. Accordingly, the TVA is withdrawing TS change request TS-446.

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If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Dan Green at (423) 751-8423.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.
Executed on the 23rd day of October 2009.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. M. Krich". The signature is stylized and written in a cursive-like font.

R. M. Krich
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