



July 22, 2010

Commissioner Gregory B. Jaczko, Chairman
Commissioner Kristine L. Svinicki
Commissioner George Apostolakis
Commissioner William D. Magwood
Commissioner William C. Ostendorff
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

SUBJECT: Watts Bar Unit 2, Docket No. 50-391

Dear Commissioners:

On July 14, 2010, on behalf of Southern Alliance for Clean Energy (“SACE”), I filed a Petition for Interlocutory Review of LBP-10-12 (Denying SACE’s Waiver Petition) (“Petition for Interlocutory Review”). In footnote 2 at page 5, the Petition for Interlocutory Review stated that SACE was currently preparing a request for construction of Watts Bar Unit 2 pending resolution of the issues raised by the petition.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that at this time, SACE does not intend to file a petition to suspend construction of Watts Bar Unit 2. However, SACE continues to seek interlocutory review by the Commission of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board’s decision to reject SACE’s request for a waiver of NRC regulations exempting operating license applicants from need for power and alternative energy analyses under the National Environmental Policy Act. Because ongoing construction activities at Watts Bar Unit 2 have the potential to moot the significant environmental issues raised in the Petition for Interlocutory Review and foreclose the consideration of meaningful alternatives (*see* discussion in Section III.B), SACE requests the Commission to give expedited consideration to its petition.

Sincerely,

Diane Curran

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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
BEFORE THE COMMISSION**

In the Matter of)	
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Tennessee Valley Authority)	Docket No. 50-391
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(Watts Bar Unit 2))	

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on July 22, 2010, I posted on the NRC's Electronic Information Exchange System copies of the foregoing letter from Southern Alliance for Clean Energy's counsel to NRC Commissioners regarding Watts Bar Unit 2, Docket No. 50-391. It is my understanding that as a result, the following parties were served:

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