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Docket Nos. 50-438
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Tennessee Valley Authority
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: DOCKETING OF APPLICATION, FINAL SAFETY ANALYSIS REPORT AND ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT - BELLEFONTE NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

We have docketed your application for licenses to operate the Bellefonte Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2. A copy of the "Notice of Receipt of Application for Facility Operating Licenses; Notice of Availability of Applicant's Environmental Report; and Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Facility Operating Licenses and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing", which has been forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication is enclosed.

We have placed a display ad in the following newspapers which are listed in the general information portion of your application:

Daily Sentinel
P. O. Box 220
Scottsboro, Alabama 35768

Huntsville Times
Huntsville, Alabama 35804

We are unable to place this display ad in all the newspapers listed in the general information portion of your application, but you may, of course, arrange for as many additional ads as you may wish.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by

Olan Parr, Chief
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Enclosure:
Federal Register Notice

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

In the Matter of)

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY)
Bellefonte Nuclear Plant,)
Units 1 & 2)

Docket Nos. 50-438
and 50-439

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION FOR FACILITY OPERATING LICENSES;
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF APPLICANT'S ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT; AND
NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION OF ISSUANCE OF FACILITY OPERATING LICENSES
AND NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has received an application for facility operating licenses from the Tennessee Valley Authority (the applicant) to possess, use and operate at a core power level of 3600 megawatts thermal, two pressurized water nuclear reactors (the facility), located on the applicant's site approximately 6 miles northeast of Scottsboro and approximately 38 miles east of Huntsville in Jackson County, Alabama.

The applicant has also filed, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and the regulations of the Commission in 10 CFR Part 51, an environmental report which discusses environmental considerations related to the proposed operation of the facility and which is being made available at the Alabama Development Office, State Office Building, Montgomery, Alabama 36104 and at the Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments, 350 State National Bank Building, Huntsville, Alabama 35801.

After the environmental report has been analyzed by the Commission's staff, the Commission's Draft Environmental Statement will be prepared. Upon preparation of this Draft Environmental Statement, the Commission will, among other things, cause to be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER a notice of

availability of the draft statement, requesting comments from interested persons on the draft statement. The notice will also contain a statement to the effect that any comments of Federal agencies and state and local officials will be made available when received. The Commission's Draft Environmental Statement will focus primarily on any matters which differ from those previously discussed in the Commission's Final Environmental Statement prepared in connection with the issuance of the construction permits. Upon consideration of comments submitted with respect to the Commission's Draft Environmental Statement, the Commission's staff will prepare a Final Environmental Statement, the notice of availability of which will be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

The Commission will consider the issuance of facility operating licenses to the Tennessee Valley Authority which would authorize the applicant to possess, use and operate the Bellefonte Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2, in accordance with the provisions of the licenses and the technical specifications appended thereto, upon: (1) the completion of a favorable safety evaluation of the application by the Commission's staff; (2) the completion of the environmental review required by NEPA and the Commission's regulations in 10 CFR Part 51; (3) the receipt of a report on the applicant's application for facility operating licenses by the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards; and (4) a finding by the Commission that the application for the facility licenses, as amended, complies with the requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's regulations in Title 10, Chapter I, Code of Federal Regulations. Construction of the facility was authorized by Construction Permit Nos. CPPR-122 and CPPR-123,

issued by the Commission on December 24, 1974. Construction of Unit 1 is anticipated to be completed by December 1, 1979, and Unit 2 by September 1, 1980.

Prior to issuance of any operating licenses, the Commission will inspect the facility to determine whether it has been constructed in accordance with the application, as amended, and the provisions of the construction permits. In addition, the licenses will not be issued until the Commission has made the findings reflecting its review of the application under the Act, which will be set forth in the proposed licenses, and has concluded that the issuance of the licenses will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public. Upon issuance of the licenses, the applicant will be required to execute an indemnity agreement as required by Section 170 of the Act and 10 CFR Part 140 of the Commission's regulations.

By August 16, 1978, the applicant may file a request for a hearing with respect to issuance of the facility operating licenses and any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding may file a petition for leave to intervene. Requests for a hearing and petitions for leave to intervene shall be filed in accordance with the Commission's "Rules of Practice for Domestic Licensing Proceedings" in 10 CFR Part 2. If a request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene is filed by the above date, the Commission or an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, designated

by the Commission or by the Chairman of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, will rule on the request and/or petition and the Secretary of the Commission, or designated Atomic Safety and Licensing Board will issue a notice of hearing or an appropriate order.

As required by 10 CFR § 2.714, a petition for leave to intervene shall set forth with particularity the interest of the petitioner in the proceeding, and how that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding. The petition should specifically explain the reasons why intervention should be permitted with particular reference to the following factors: (1) the nature of the petitioner's right under the Act to be made a party to the proceeding; (2) the nature and extent of the petitioner's property, financial, or other interest in the proceeding; and (3) the possible effect of any order which may be entered in the proceeding on the petitioner's interest. The petition should also identify the specific aspect(s) of the subject matter of the proceeding as to which the petitioner wishes to intervene. Any person who has filed a petition for leave to intervene or who has been admitted as a party may amend his petition, but such an amended petition must satisfy the specificity requirements described above.

Not later than fifteen (15) days prior to the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, the petitioner shall file a supplement to the petition to intervene which must include a list of the contentions which are sought to be litigated in the matter, and the bases for each.

contention set forth with reasonable specificity. A petitioner who fails to file such a supplement which satisfies these requirements with respect to at least one contention will not be permitted to participate as a party.

A request for a hearing or a petition for leave to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555, Attention: Docketing and Service Section, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., by August 16, 1978. A copy of the petition should also be sent to the Executive Legal Director, U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555 and to Herbert S. Sangér, Jr., Esq., General Counsel, Tennessee Valley Authority, 400 Commerce Avenue, EllB33, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902, attorney for the applicant. Any questions or requests for additional information regarding the content of this notice should be addressed to the Chief Hearing Counsel, Office of the Executive Legal Director, U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555.

Nontimely filings of petitions for leave to intervene, amended petitions, supplemental petitions and/or requests for hearing will not be entertained absent a determination by the Commission, the presiding officer, or the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board designated to rule on the petition and/or

request, that the petitioner has made a substantial showing of good cause for the granting of a later petition and/or request. That determination will be based upon a balancing of the factors specified in 10 CFR §2.714(a)(1)(i)-(v) and §2.714(d).

For further details pertinent to the matters under consideration, see the application for the facility operating licenses dated February 1, 1978, and the applicant's environmental report also dated February 1, 1978, which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. and at the Scottsboro Public Library, 1002 South Broad Street, Scottsboro, Alabama. As they become available, the following documents may be inspected at the above locations: (1) the Safety Evaluation Report prepared by the Commission's staff; (2) the Commission's Draft Environmental Statement; (3) the Commission's Final Environmental Statement; (4) the report of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards on the application for facility operating licenses; (5) the proposed facility operating licenses; and (6) the technical specifications, which will be attached to the proposed facility operating licenses.

Copies of the proposed operating licenses and the ACRS report, when available, may be obtained by request to the Director, Division of Project Management, U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555.

Copies of the Commission's staff Safety Evaluation Report and Final Environmental Statement, when available, may be purchased at current rates, from the National Technical Information Service, Department of Commerce, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Virginia 22161.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Alan D. Parr
Alan D. Parr, Chief

Light Water Reactors Branch No. 3
Division of Project Management

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland
this *5th* day of *July*, 1978.