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Docket Nos. 50-438
and 50-439

Tennessee Valley Authority
ATTN: Mr. James E. Watson
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Gentlemen:

In our review of your application for a license to construct the Bellefonte Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2, we find that our review of your proposed reactor protection system has not advanced sufficiently to conclude that it is acceptable. On March 15, 1974, we met with your representatives and representatives of the Babcock & Wilcox Company to discuss areas where additional information is required and to outline what we expect to be a generic review of the proposed reactor protection system. However, it is doubtful that this additional information can be supplied and our generic evaluation completed on a schedule consistent with our construction permit review of your application. Therefore, in order to prevent delays in our review of your application, we require a commitment from you to provide such information and make such changes, as may be necessary, to insure that degree of protection provided by the proposed reactor protection system is not less than that previously approved by the staff for Babcock & Wilcox designed systems.

In order to maintain our licensing review schedule, we will need your response regarding this commitment by April 30, 1974.

Please contact us if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by

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