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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: FUEL SURVEILLANCE PLANS FOR THE BELLEFONTE NUCLEAR PLANT

Reference: Letter, J. E. Gilleland to O. D. Parr, dated 9/6/77

Your letter of 9/6/77 requested that we reconsider our requirement of fuel surveillance programs for both Bellefonte units if they are the first two units to use the new Babcock & Wilcox Mark C 17 x 17 fuel. We understand that TVA is willing to conduct a fuel surveillance program on one Bellefonte unit but that in your view the requirement for both imposes an unnecessary burden on TVA. Nevertheless, our requirement for fuel surveillance programs at the first two units to use a new fuel remains unchanged.

We feel that any additional discussion of this matter can more usefully be held at the "staff position stage" of our review of the Bellefonte Nuclear Plant FSAR. It has been our experience that start up date forecasts are highly uncertain.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by
Olan Parr

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