

## TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE 37401

September 25, 1975

Mr. Norman C. Moseley, Director  
Office of Inspection and Enforcement  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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Dear Mr. Moseley:

This is in response to the Office of Inspection and Enforcement letter, IE:II:EJV 50-438/75-7, 50-439/75-7, dated September 4, 1975, concerning activities at Bellefonte Nuclear Plant units 1 and 2 which appear to have been in violation of NRC regulations. The specific infraction and our response follow:

Criterion VII of Appendix B to 10 CFR 50, as implemented by commitments set forth in the FSAR Chapter 17 "Quality Assurance," Section 17.1A.7 "Control of Purchased Material, Equipment and Services," specifies in part that inspections be performed to assure documentary evidence, that material or equipment conform to procurement requirements, be available prior to installation or use of such items.

Contrary to this requirement, NSSS components were signed off by receipt inspection as ready for installation when they had not been completely inspected and documented as required. (Details III, paragraph 4)

Pressurizer--The pressurizer for unit 1 has been declared to be in a nonconforming condition, a nonconformance report has been initiated, and the pressurizer has been tagged to reflect this condition. The receipt inspection record has been updated to indicate that acceptance of the pressurizer for installation is dependent on verification of recertification of the 25-6 thermal weld nozzle to ASME Code.

Shield Plate and Seal Ring--The shield plate and seal ring had been inspected for shipping damage before unloading and initial visual examination of the items had been completed. A conformance inspection for detailed material characteristics has now been completed and documented and these items are ready for installation.

Traceability--All I&T reports and receiving inspection records have been filed together and cross referenced by contract and item number.

The items referred to as "Shield Ring" and "Seal Ring" on the

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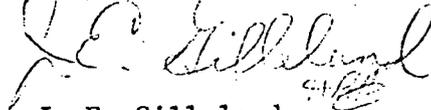
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I&T release and "Plates" on the receipt inspection records have been correctly specified on all documentation as "Shield Plate" and "Seal Rings."

In addition, all NSSS receipt inspection records have been examined for proper inspection and documentation of items to ensure that no other discrepancies of this nature exist. Inspection employees have been instructed in applicable procedures to ensure proper inspection and documentation methods are implemented for proper control of material.

We have reviewed IE Inspection Report 50-438/75-7, 50-439/75-7 and find no proprietary material in it.

Very truly yours,



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