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SUBJECT: Responds to IE Bulletin 80-17. No significant amount of water in scram discharge vol & associated piping. Vent valves operable & sys free of obstruction. Results of addl required review will be reported in subsequent correspondence.

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Re: Duane Arnold Energy Center

Subject: IE Bulletin 80-17, Failure of 76 of 185
Control Rods to Fully Insert During a
Scram at a BWR

File: A-101a, NRC-2, Bulletin 80-17

Dear Mr. Keppler:

In partial response to your letter transmitting the subject bulletin concerning the manual scram failure event at TVA's Browns Ferry Unit No. 3, we have completed the surveillance tests for DAEC identified in Licensee Action Item 1. The tests performed at DAEC on July 5, 1980 verified that there is no significant amount of water in the scram discharge volume (SDV) and associated piping. This testing also verified that the SDV vent valves are operable and vent system is free of obstruction.

The testing procedure (Special Test Procedure #79) and results are available for NRC inspection at DAEC upon request.

The results of the additional procedural review, analysis, and scram testing required in the subject bulletin will be reported in subsequent correspondence. If you have any questions or desire further information concerning this matter, please contact this office.

Very truly yours,

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