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Just received the following comments. I will have these added to ADAMS.

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Re: Comments and Recommendations on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) Related to the Operation of Watts Bar Nuclear Plant, Unit 2, Supplement 2 in Rhea County, TN

Dear Mr. Poole:

The United States Department of the Interior (Department) has reviewed the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) for the Operation of Watts Bar Nuclear Plant and offers the following comments.

## General

The electronic version of many of the figures in chapters 2, 3, and 4 are difficult to interpret. In particular, figures 2-4 and 2-5 (pgs. 2-15 and 2-16) are inadequate to allow the reviewer to identify the important water related features. We suggest that the final version include legible versions of these figures; this will allow the public to better assess the adequacy of the information provided in the text.

Additionally, we have reviewed the referenced Environmental Review Distribution Transmittal and the NRC DSEIS, including a Biological Assessment for the federally endangered gray bat (*Myotis grisescens*), pink mucket *Lampsilis abrupta*), rough pigtoe (*Pleuroberna plenum*), fanshell (*Cyprogenia Ste garia*), dromedary pearly mussel (*Dromus dromas*), orangefoot pimpleback (*Plethobasus cooperianus*), and the threatened snail darter (*Percina tanasi*). Since the preparation of the DSEIS, the laurel dace (*Chrosomus saylori*) was listed as endangered (76 FR 48722 4874 1) on September 8, 2011, and is known to occur with the project assessment area. The sheepsnose mussel (*Plethobasus cyphus*) is proposed for listing as endangered (76 FR 3392 3420) and occurs in the project assessment area. The Tennessee Ecological Services Field

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Office has completed section 7 consultation with the NRC on the project and has no other substantive comments on the DSEIS to offer at this time.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the DSEIS. If you have any questions concerning our comments, please contact Steve Alexander at (931) 528-6481 (ext. 210) or via email at [steven\\_alexander@fws.gov](mailto:steven_alexander@fws.gov). I can be reached on (404) 331-4524 or via email at [joyce\\_stanley@ios.doi.gov](mailto:joyce_stanley@ios.doi.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J Stanley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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