

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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LICENSEE: Tennessee Valley Authority

FACILITY: Sequoyah Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2014, MEETING WITH TENNESSEE

VALLEY AUTHORITY REGARDING IMPROVED TECHNICAL

SPECIFICATIONS CONVERSION FOR SEQUOYAH NUCLEAR PLANT,

UNITS 1 AND 2 (TAC NOS. MF3128 AND MF3129)

On September 16, 2014, a Category 1 public teleconference was held between the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff and representatives of Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA). The meeting notice dated July 21, 2014, is available in the NRC Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) under Accession No. ML14261A475. A list of attendees is provided as an Enclosure.

The purpose of this public meeting was to discuss the ongoing review of the license amendment requests for Sequoyah Nuclear Plant (SQN), Units 1 and 2, to convert the current technical specifications (TSs) to the improved TSs (ITS) format. The focus of the discussion was to clarify the Request for Additional Information (RAI) KAB-044 related to the application of alternate source term. This RAI was posted to the SQN ITS ePortal on May 19, 2014.

TVA presented slides of background information and its perspective (see ADAMS Accession No. ML14262A330). TVA believed they were adopting a 2003 safety evaluation (SE) (see ADAMS Accession No. ML033030206) that the NRC staff already approved for the current technical specification application. Specifically, the requirements for the Containment Building Equipment Door during the movement of recently irradiated fuel within the containment are stated in TS 3.9.4, CONTAINMENT BUILDING PENETRATIONS. Staff concerns were with potentially unanalyzed conditions related to recently (less than 100 hours after shutdown) irradiated fuel, such as moving objects less than 2000 pounds over the opened vessel. In addition, there is apparently unique language added by the reviewer in that 2003 SE indicating that approval was meant for a very specific application instead of generic applications. Thus, the NRC staff indicated to TVA staff that a more comprehensive review may be needed.

To resolve the apparent difference, TVA will review RAI responses of other sites for Technical Specifications Task Force (TSTF-51) Amendments. The staff will prepare an updated draft RAI to discuss with TVA in the near future.

Other topics discussed included the status update of RAIs CSS-028 and CET-001. TVA stated it will provide clarifications in its response to the RAI.

1 https://members.excelservices.com/excel/index2.php?requestType=items&c=2386&areald=24681&tangoItemId=71

No regulatory decisions were made at this meeting. Members of the public were not in attendance. Public Meeting Feedback forms were not received.

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