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**Subject:** Correction- Acceptance Review - Adding New Specifications to Technical Specification 3.3.8.3 For Browns Ferry Units 1, 2, and 3 (MF6738, MF6739, and 6740)

Gordon,

Thank you for indicating to me of an error in the following email. The correct date of the submittal is September 16, 2015.

Thank you,

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**Importance:** High

Gordon,

By letter dated September 16, 2016 (ML15260B125), Tennessee Valley Authority (the licensee, TVA) submitted a license amendment request for Units 1, 2, and 3 of the Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant (BFN), in accordance with the provisions of 10 Code of Federal Regulations (10CFR) 10 CFR 50.90, "Application for amendment of license, construction permit, or early site permit."

The proposed changes revise the BFN, Units 1 and 2, Technical Specifications (TSs) by adding a new specification governing the safety functions for the Emergency Core Cooling System Preferred Pump Logic, Common Accident Signal Logic, and the Unit Priority Re-Trip Logic, thus enhancing the usability of the requirements by the BFN Operations staff. The changes proposed for BFN, Unit 3, i.e., relocating the requirements for Common Accident Signal Logic and Unit Priority Re-trip Logic, are made for consistency with the changes to the BFN, Units 1 and 2 TSs.

The purpose of this e-mail is to provide the results of the NRC staff's acceptance review of this amendment request. The acceptance review was performed to determine if there is sufficient technical information in scope and depth to allow the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review. The acceptance review is also intended to identify whether the application has any readily apparent information insufficiencies in its characterization of the regulatory requirements or the licensing basis of the plant.

Consistent with Section 50.90 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR), an amendment to the license (including the TSs) must fully describe the changes requested, and following as far as applicable, the form prescribed for original applications. Section 50.34 of 10 CFR addresses the content of technical information required. This section stipulates that the submittal address the design and operating characteristics, unusual or novel design features, and principal safety considerations.

The NRC staff has reviewed TVA's application and concluded that it does provide technical information in sufficient detail to enable the staff to proceed with its detailed technical review and make an independent assessment regarding the acceptability of the proposed amendment request in terms of regulatory requirements and the protection of public health and safety and the environment. Given the lesser scope and depth of the acceptance review as compared to the detailed technical review, there may be instances in which issues that impact the NRC staff's ability to complete the detailed technical review are identified despite completion of an adequate acceptance review. The licensee will be advised of any further information needed to support the NRC staff's detailed technical review by separate correspondence.

Thanks,

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