November 8, 1995

MEMORANDUM TO: James M. Taylor

Executive Director for Operations

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FROM: John T. Larkins, Executive Director

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards

SUBJECT: ALLEGATIONS CONCERNING THE APPLICATION FOR

OPERATING LICENSE FOR WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT

UNIT 1

During the 426th meeting of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, November 2-4, 1995, and the meeting of the Watts Bar Subcommittee, November 1, 1995, we heard presentations by members of the public concerning the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) application for an operating license for Watts Bar Nuclear Plant Unit 1. During the meetings, members of the public raised several allegations related to activities involving NRC and TVA personnel. The Committee was uncertain as to whether these allegations had been previously received and resolved by the agency. The Committee decided that these allegations should be turned over to the appropriate NRC organizations.

Based on communications with Region II, we intend to provide the transcript of the November 1, 1995, Subcommittee meeting and other documents submitted by members of the public to the NRC Watts Bar Allegations Coordinator, who plans to review the transcript for any unidentified safety issues. We also intend to provide a transcript of the public comments made at the November 2, 1995, ACRS meeting, which include allegations of misconduct, to the Office of Investigations, and the Office of the Inspector General.

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