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Mr. James P. O'Reilly, Director
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Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY - BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT UNIT 3 - DOCKET
NO. 50-296 - FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE DPR-68 - REPORTABLE OCCURRENCE
REPORT BYRO-50-296/8003

The enclosed report provides details concerning control rod 18-55 which would not insert with normal drive pressure and was declared inoperable (Technical Specification 3.3.A.2.a) during normal power operation while performing Surveillance Instruction 4.3.A.2, Control Rod Exercise. This report is submitted in accordance with Browns Ferry unit 3 Technical Specification 6.7.2.b(2).

Very truly yours,

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

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