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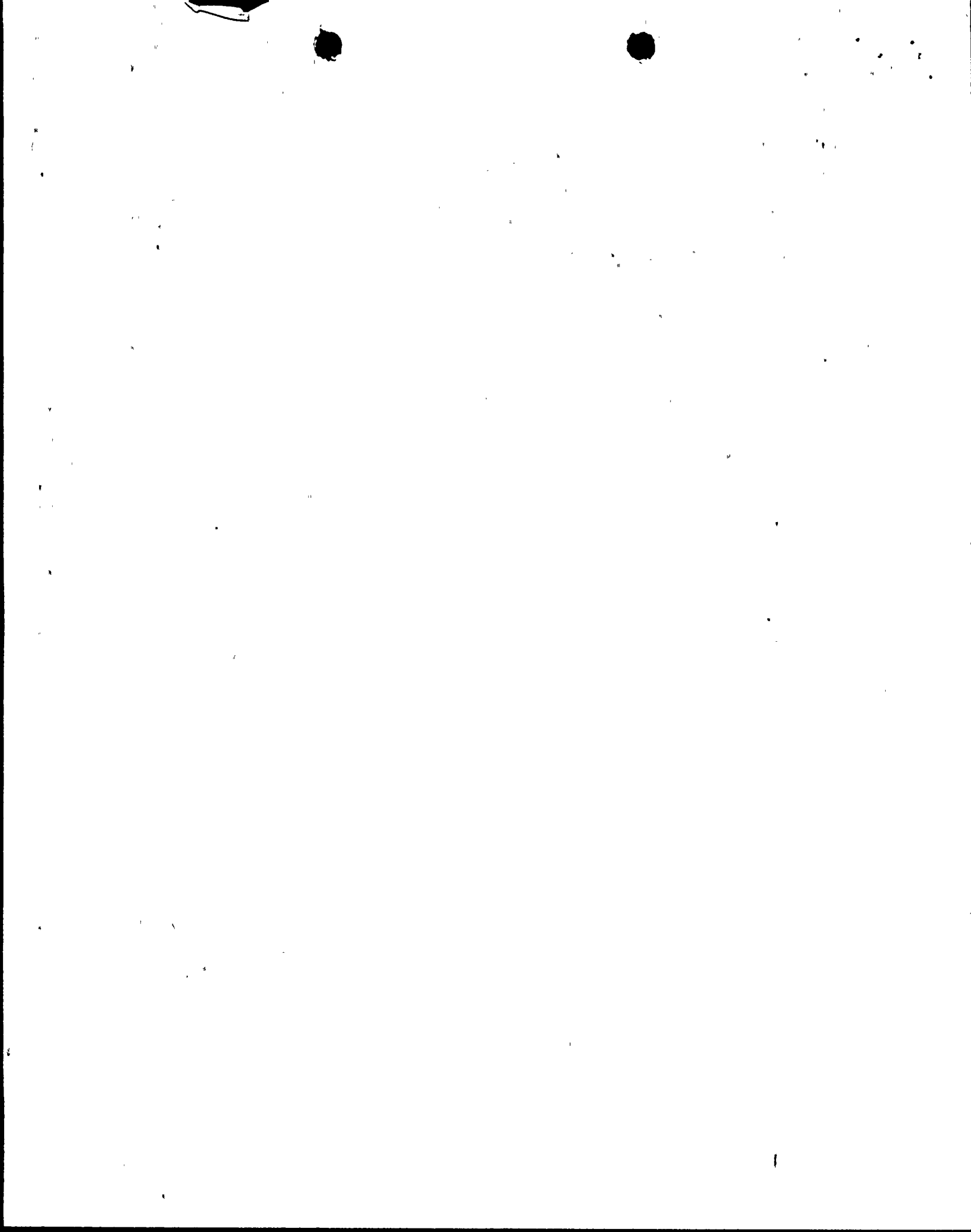
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BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT (BFN) - UNITS 1, 2, AND 3 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION
NO. 253

- Reference 1. Letter from TVA to NRC dated March 23, 1988, "Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant (BFN) Fuel Inspection and Reconstitution" (L44 880323 801)
- 2. Letter from TVA to NRC dated May 20, 1988, "Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant (BFN) Fuel Inspection and Reconstitution" (L44 880520 800)
- 3. Letter from TVA to NRC dated June 1, 1988, "Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant (BFN) Technical Specification No. 245-T" (L44 880601 800)
- 4. Letter from NRC to TVA dated July 29, 1988, Approval of TS 245T (A02 880729 007)

In accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 50.4 and 50.90, we are submitting a request for an amendment to licenses DPR-33, DPR-52, and DPR-68 to change the BFN Technical Specifications for units 1, 2, and 3 (enclosure 1).

Reference 1 provided NRC with a description of the BFN fuel inspection and reconstitution program which was updated by reference 2.

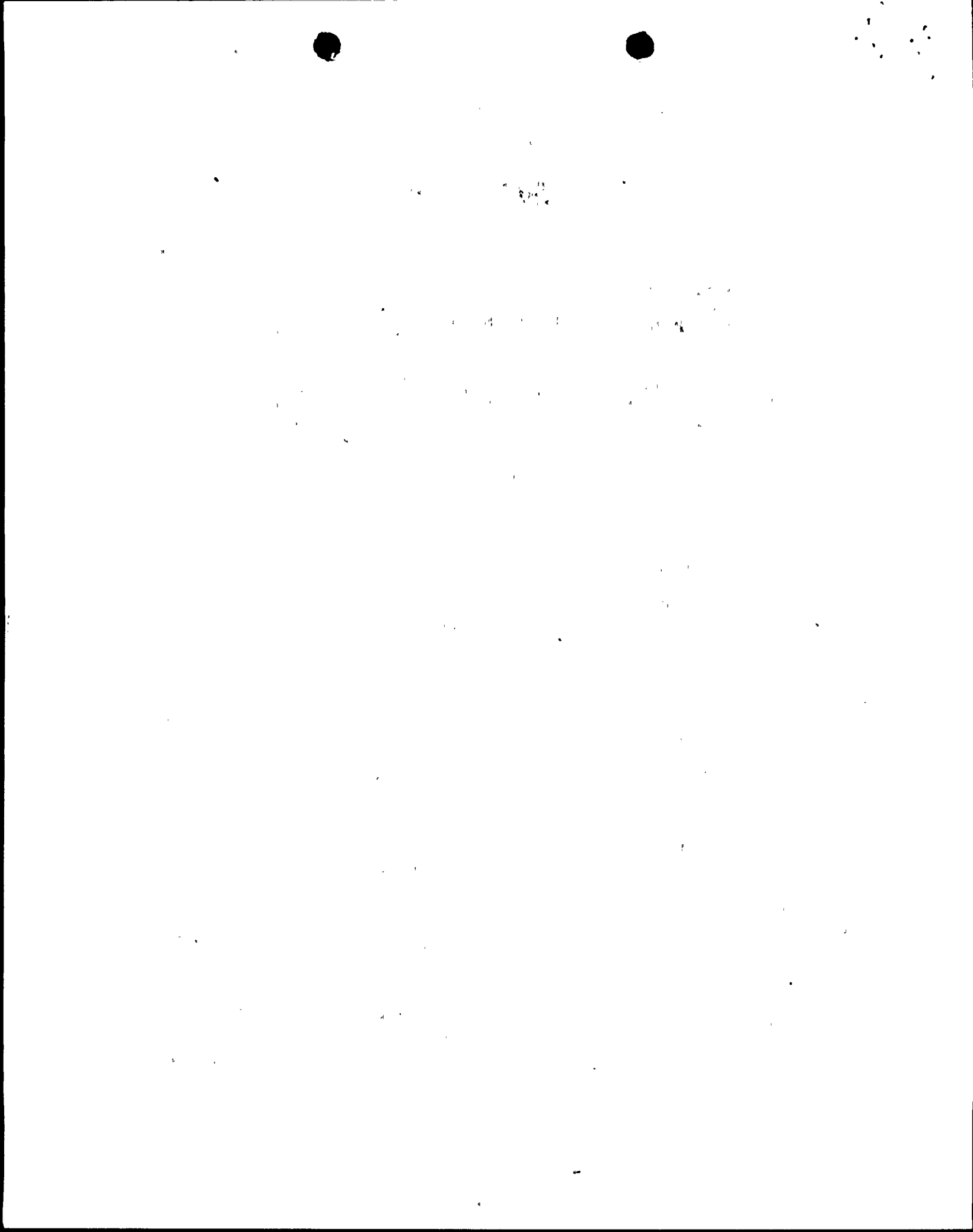
In reference 3, TVA requested temporary changes to the operability requirements for the Standby Gas Treatment System (SGTS) and Control Room Emergency Ventilation System (CREVS). This request was approved by NRC in reference 4.

Enclosure 1 of this letter is requesting relaxation of the CREVS operability requirements to allow system modifications and maintenance needed for restart to proceed in parallel with the fuel load. This relaxation can be accomplished without reducing the margin of safety. This temporary change

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will be in effect until just before the withdrawal of the first control rod with the purpose of making unit 2 reactor critical from the current cycle 5 outage. This change is written to ensure that limiting conditions for operation requirements 3.7.E.1, 3.7.C.3, and 3.7.I.4 become applicable just before the above subject action is initiated.

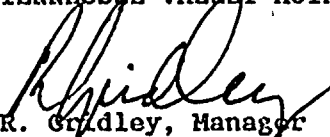
The description, reason for change, and justification in support of the proposed temporary changes are enclosed (enclosure 2). A proposed determination of no significant hazards consideration is provided (enclosure 3).

We request your expedient review and approval of the enclosed temporary changes. We request that these specifications be made effective upon receipt of these changes.

Enclosed is a check for \$150 amendment fee required by 10 CFR Part 170.12.

Very truly yours,

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY


R. Gridley, Manager
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Subscribed and sworn to before me
on this 17th day of Aug. 1988.

Paulette H. White
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My Commission Expires 8-24-88

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