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Docket Nos.: 50-327/328

Mr. H. G. Parris Manager of Power Tennessee Valley Authority 500A Chestnut Street, Tower II Chattanooga, Tennessee 37401

Dear Mr. Parris:

SUBJECT: FUEL LOAD PROCEDURE CHANGE FOR SEQUOYAH, Unit 1

In response to your letter of February 4, 1980, on the subject matter, we find the proposed change in procedure to be acceptable. The revised count rate along with the required signal noise ratio provides assurance that any approach to criticality during fueling can be detected and steps taken to prevent criticality.

Please call if there are questions.

Sincerely,

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