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Tennessee Valley Authority
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: Report No. 50-260/80-34

This refers to the investigation conducted by R. J. Marsh of this office on October 27-31, 1980, of activities authorized by NRC Operating License DPR-52 for the Browns Ferry facility. Our preliminary findings were discussed with H. L. Abercrombie at the conclusion of the investigation.

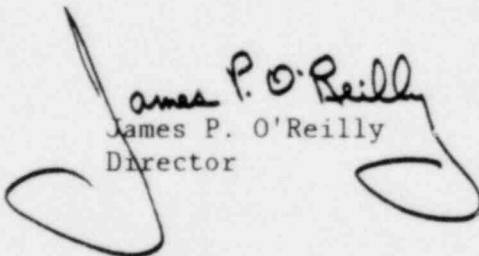
Areas examined during the investigation and our findings are discussed in the enclosed investigation report. Within these areas, the investigation consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the investigators.

During the investigation, it was found that certain activities under your license appear to violate NRC requirements. These items and references to pertinent requirements are listed in the Notice of Violation enclosed herewith as Appendix A. Elements to be included in your response are delineated in Appendix A.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed investigation report will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room. If this report contains any information that you believe to be proprietary, it is necessary that you make a written application within 20 days to this office to withhold such information from public disclosure. Any such application must include the basis for claiming that the information is proprietary and the proprietary information should be contained in a separate part of the document. If we do not hear from you in this regard within the specified period, the report will be placed in the Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, we will be glad to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,


James P. O'Reilly
Director

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Enclosures:

1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation
2. Investigation Report No.
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cc w/encl:

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