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Tennessee Valley Authority
ATTN: Mr. H. G. Parris
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Gentlemen:

Subject: Confirmation of Action

This is to confirm the telephone discussion between Mr. J. A. Coffey, Assistant Director of Nuclear Power and Mr. R. D. Martin, Deputy Regional Administrator, on December 23, 1981. The discussion related to your control of preoperational testing activities at Unit 2 of the Sequoyah Nuclear Plant.

Based on that discussion, it is our understanding that you have taken or plan to take the following actions:

1. Conduct a management and technical review of the December 21 event involving operation of the reactor with a positive moderator-temperature coefficient.
2. Ensure that all relevant findings derived from your test program are factored into operational procedures and instructions.
3. Verify that personnel involved in similar operational activities are adequately trained.
4. Discuss the results of your findings and actions at a meeting in this office early in January; at a date to be determined later.

Please inform this office immediately if your understanding of this matter differs from that stated above.

cc: H.J. Green, Director of Nuclear Power
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