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Gentlemen:

In the Matter of Tennessee Valley Authority

Docket Nos. 50-327 50-328

SEQUOYAH NUCLEAR PLANT (SQN) - UNITS 1 AND 2 - DOCKET NUMBERS 50-327 AND 50-328 - FACILITY OPERATING LICENSES DPR-77 and DPR-79 - SPECIAL REPORT 93-12

The enclosed special report provides details concerning the inoperability of the fire suppression water system in the auxiliary building as initially reported by telephone at 1600 Eastern daylight time (EDT) on July 2, 1993, and confirmed by facsimile on July 6, 1993, as required by Technical Specification (TS) Action Statements 3.7.11.1(b)(2)(a) and 3.7.11.1(b)(2)(b), respectively.

Details are provided in the enclosure. The condition involves both Units 1 and 2 and is being reported in accordance with TS Action Statement 3.7.11.1(b)(2)(c).

If you have any questions concerning this submittal, please telephone C. H. Whittemore at (615) 843-7210.

Sincerely,

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ENCLOSURE

14-DAY FOLLOW-UP REPORT SPECIAL REPORT 93-12

Sequoyah Nuclear Plant Technical Specification (TS) Limiting Condition for Operation (LCO) 3.7.11.1 requires that the fire suppression water system be operable through the last valve ahead of the water-pressure alarm device on each sprinkler or hose standpipe and the last valve ahead of the deluge valve on each deluge or spray system in the auxiliary building.

Description of Condition

On June 21, 1993, at 2100 Eastern daylight time (EDT), with Unit 1 in Mode 6 for a refueling outage and Unit 2 in Mode 5 for a maintenance outage, LCOs 3.7.11.1, 3.7.11.2, and 3.7.11.4 were entered.

A portion of the fire header in the auxiliary building was removed from service (isolated) on June 21, 1993, at 2100 EDT, to facilitate preplanned maintenance activities for repairing and replacing leaking piping. This portion of the auxiliary building fire protection piping was the first of several segments of piping to be repaired during the current unit outages. Appropriate compensatory measures, i.e., backup fire suppression and fire watches, were established before the header was isolated.

On July 2, 1993, it was discovered that during the evolution described above, TS Action Statement 3.7.11.1(b)(2)(a) had not been complied with when the auxiliary building fire protection header was isolated. The 24-hour telephone call required by LCO Action Statement 3.7.11.1(b)(2)(a) had not been made. Therefore, upon discovery of the missed notification, NRC was informed by telephone at 1600 EDT on July 2, 1993, and the LCO action statements were complied with.

The piping was repaired, the applicable portion of the system was returned to service, and LCOs 3.7.11.1, 3.7.11.2, and 3.7.11.4 were exited at 1900 EDT on July 5, 1993.

TVA has initiated an incident investigation (II) associated with not complying with the LCO 3.7.11.1 action statement. Corrective action(s) will be formulated and implemented as specified in the II report. The details of the event and the corrective action(s) to prevent the recurrence of this event will be reported to NRC in a following licensee event report.