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Gentlemen:

In the Matter of)	Docket Nos. 50-259
Tennessee Valley Authority)	50-260
		50-296

BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT (BFN) - UNITS 1, 2, 3 - DETERMINATION OF NONREPORTABILITY

The purpose of this letter is to: 1) retract a four-hour non-emergency notification, and 2) modify the way TVA will retract notifications in the future.

On September 26, 1990, a four-hour non-emergency notification was made to the NRC in accordance with 10 CFR 50.72(b)(2)(i). A subsequent review determined that conditions were not reportable under 10 CFR 50.72 or 50.73. This was reported by telephone on October 23, 1990.

This letter satisfies TVA's commitment to retract in writing 10 CFR 50.72 notifications that do not require a 10 CFR 50.73 Licensee Event Report (LER). That commitment was made in TVA's letter dated September 21, 1989. However, on June 20, 1990, NRC stated at the LER workshop held at King of Prussia, Pennsylvania that 10 CFR 50.72 notifications should be retracted by telephone, rather than in writing, which will also serve to clarify the record correlating 10 CFR 50.72 notifications with 10 CFR 50.73 LERS. Consequently, TVA will retract future unnecessary 10 CFR 50.72 notifications that do not require a 10 CFR 50.73 LER by telephone, rather than in writing. The enclosure contains a summary of the commitments made in this letter.

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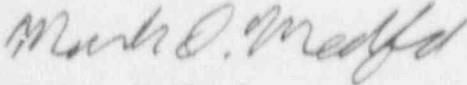
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Very truly yours,

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Enclosure

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ENCLOSURE

LIST OF COMMITMENTS

TVA will retract future unnecessary 10 CFR 50.72 notifications that do not require a 10 CFR 50.73 LER by telephone, rather than in writing.