

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

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400 Chestnut Street Tower II

June 5, 1984

Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Denton:

In the Matter of the) Docket No. 50-296
Tennessee Valley Authority)

By my letter to you dated April 19, 1984, we requested an early indication of the NRC staff ruling on a request for exemption from the two-year test requirement of 10 CFR 50 Appendix J for Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant. This request was made to avoid retest of valves and electrical penetrations. Through communications with your staff, we learned that additional information was needed. Because of that and because of the uncertainty in getting the request approved, we decided that it was more advantageous to retest the subject valves and penetrations. Therefore, the request for relief is no longer needed.

This was discussed with R. J. Clark of your staff on May 10, 1984.

Very truly yours,

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

L. M. Mills
L. M. Mills, Manager
Nuclear Licensing

Subscribed and sworn to before
me this 5th day of June 1984.

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Notary Public
My Commission Expires 9-5-84

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