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SUBJECT: BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT UNITS 1, 2, AND 3 - INSERVICE INSPECTION PROGRAM UPDATE AND RELIEF REQUESTS (TAC NOS. M89118, M89119, AND M89120)

Dear Mr. Kingsley:

On February 22, 1994, the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) submitted updates to the inservice inspection (ISI) program plans for the Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant (BFN) Units 1, 2, and 3. This submittal included requests for relief from certain inservice testing requirements of Section XI of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code (ASME Code) for BFN Unit 2, and editorial and administrative changes for all three units. In response to a request for additional information on November 14, 1994, TVA provided supplemental information on the relief requests on January 6, 1995. The staff assessment of the ISI program revision and relief requests is documented in the enclosed safety evaluation.

With regard to Requests for Relief ISI-2-3 and ISI-2-4, the staff adopts the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory conclusions and recommendations presented in the enclosed Technical Letter Report. The staff finds that the relief requested pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(6)(i) is authorized by law, and will not endanger life or property or the common defense and security, and is otherwise in the public interest giving due consideration to the burden on the licensee that could result if the requirements were imposed.

TVA also proposed editorial changes to the BFN Units 1 and 3 ISI programs. These changes are acceptable.

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Sincerely,

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Docket Nos. 50-259, 50-260, and 50-296

Enclosures: 1. Safety Evaluation  
2. Technical Evaluation Report

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