

February 22, 1985
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OFFICE OF INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT
NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Licensee: Tennessee Valley Authority
Browns Ferry, Units 1, 2, and 3
Docket Nos. 50-259, 50-260, and 50-296

Subject: PROPOSED IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTIES - \$150,000

This is to inform the Commission that a Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty in the amount of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) will be issued on or about February 27, 1985 to Tennessee Valley Authority. This action is based on four violations categorized as two Severity Level III problems. The violations involved failures to comply with Technical Specification and procedural requirements associated with the Unit 3 reactor startup that occurred on October 22, 1984. Two of the violations involved failures to satisfy the Browns Ferry Technical Specification requirements associated with the Rod Worth Minimizer during the startup. The two other violations involved the failure of the licensee to satisfy Technical Specification and procedural requirements prior to taking the reactor critical.

It should be noted that the licensee has not been specifically informed of the enforcement action. The Regional Administrator has been authorized by the Director, Office of Inspection and Enforcement to sign this action. The schedule of issuance and notification is:

Mailing of Notice February 27, 1985
Telephone Notification of Licensee February 27, 1985

A news release has been prepared and will be issued about the time the licensee receives the Notice. The State of Alabama will be notified.

The licensee has thirty days from the date of the Notice in which to respond. Following NRC evaluation of the response, the civil penalty may be remitted, mitigated, or imposed by Order.

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