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Tennessee Valley Authority  
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: REPORT NOS. 50-259/84-45, 50-260/84-45 AND 50-296/84-45

A special safety inspection was conducted by this office during the period of October 22 through November 1, 1984 of activities authorized by NRC Operating License Nos. DPR-33, DPR-52 and DPR-68 for the Browns Ferry facility. The inspection included a review of the circumstances surrounding the Unit 3 startup activities on October 22, 1984. As a result of this inspection, significant failures to comply with NRC regulatory requirements were identified, and, accordingly, an Enforcement Conference to discuss this matter was held at the Browns Ferry site on November 7, 1984.

The violations described in the enclosed Inspection Report are under consideration for escalated enforcement action. Accordingly, no Notice of Violation is being issued at this time. No response to this letter is required. However, please be advised that the number and characterization of violations described in the enclosed report may change as a result of further NRC review.

You will be advised by separate correspondence of the results of our deliberations on this matter.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice", Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by  
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Enclosure:

Inspection Report No. 50-259/84-45,  
50-260/84-45 and 50-296/84-45

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