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Sincerely,

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Stewart D. Ebnetter, Director
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Docket Nos. 50-327
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: Inspection Report Nos. 50-327/87-67 and 50-328/87-67

This letter forwards the report of an inspection conducted by an NRC team on October 5-9, 1987 to review the Tennessee Valley Authority's fitness for duty program. This inspection was conducted jointly by members of NRC's Region II Office and the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation. At the conclusion of the inspection, the observations were discussed at an exit meeting with your staff members identified in the enclosed inspection report.

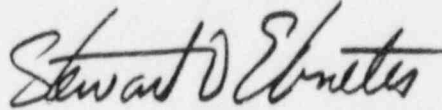
The NRC's Policy Statement on Fitness for Duty of Nuclear Power Plant Personnel (51 FR 27921) and the "EEI Guide to Effective Drug and Alcohol/Fitness for Duty Policy Development" describe a general approach to designing a fitness for duty program. In order to evaluate the overall effectiveness of your program and to collect information to assist the Commission in deciding future actions with respect to fitness for duty, the inspectors reviewed certain supplemental elements of the program not described in the EEI Guide, such as topics for written procedures, cutoff limits for chemical testing, and program performance data. Our review of these supplemental elements is not intended to imply that they are or may become requirements.

One significant observation in the inspection report (see the Inspection Summary on page 2) relates to the high threshold limits applied during laboratory testing which might not detect "casual" or occasional use of drugs. In addition, only confirmed positive results are reported to TVA line management. This could result in several days delay between initial indication of drug abuse and initiation of corrective action by TVA. This delay could enable individuals with drug problems to continue to perform safety-related activities.

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