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Docket Nos. 50-259, 50-260, 50-296,  
50-327 and 50-328  
License Nos. DPR-33, DPR-52, DPR-68,  
DPR-77 and DPR-79

Tennessee Valley Authority  
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-259/88-01, 50-260/88-01, 50-296/88-01,  
50-327/88-01 AND 50-328/88-01

This refers to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) inspection conducted by W. J. Tobin on January 6, 7 and 13, 1988. The inspection included a review of activities conducted by your Corporate Nuclear Security Branch. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed inspection report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation of activities in progress.

The inspection findings indicate that certain activities appeared to violate NRC requirements with respect to your Security Program for screening individuals prior to granting unescorted access clearances, specifically, in failing to meet the criteria for verifying references and education requirements as committed to in paragraph 1.3.1 of the TVA Physical Security Plan.

Normally, the NRC would issue a Notice of Violation for the violation described above. The violation would be categorized in accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Action", 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (1987) (Enforcement Policy), as a Severity Level IV problem. However, in accordance with Section V.G of the Enforcement Policy published in 52 Fed. Reg. 36215 (September 28, 1987) regarding enforcement discretion for licensees forced into extended shutdowns, a Notice of Violation will not be issued. Issuance of an enforcement action is not necessary to achieve remedial action since you have initiated significant corrective action since the violations occurred and your programmatic corrective actions for these violations have already been examined and found acceptable by the NRC. No response to this letter is required.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(d) and 10 CFR 73.21, safeguards activities and security measures are exempt from public disclosure. Therefore, the enclosure to this letter with the exception of the report cover page, which presents a nonexempt summary, will not be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact us.

Sincerely,

*Signed per telecon with  
Richardson 4/20/88 [Signature]*

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