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Tennessee Valley Authority
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION
(NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-327/88-20 AND 50-328/88-20)

This refers to the special Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) heatup shift coverage inspection conducted by the NRC's Sequoyah Restart Task Force on February 27, 1988 thru March 18, 1988. The inspection included a review of the activities associated with the heatup of Sequoyah Unit 2. 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. These areas included extended control room observation and operational safety verification. 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. The identified violations involved: (1) failure to develop or implement procedures (3 examples), (2) failure to comply with cold leg accumulator Technical Specification requirements (missed surveillance test), (3) failure to comply with TS 3.0.3 involving the loss of safety functions, and (4) failure to ensure timely notification of the NRC of a loss of safety functions as required by 10 CFR 50.72.b.2.iii and AI-18, "Plant Reporting Requirements". The first and second violations, which are described in paragraphs 10 and 11 of the enclosed report, will be addressed under separate correspondence. Additionally, the third and fourth violations, which are described in paragraph 11 of the enclosed inspection report, are under consideration for escalated enforcement action. Accordingly, a Notice of Violation addressing each of the violations is not being issued at this time, and therefore no response to these violations is required. However, please be advised that the characterization of the violations described in paragraphs 10 and 11 of the enclosed inspection 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.

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

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

Sincerely,

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NRC Inspection Report

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