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Docket Nos. 50-259/260/296

Tennessee Valley Authority
ACTN: Mr. S. A. White
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Dear Mr. White:

SUBJECT: THE NRC WELDING TEAM INSPECTION

Reference: Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant, Units 1, 2 and 3

The NRC will perform an independent welding team inspection during the period of May 16-27 and June 6-10, 1988, at the Browns Ferry Nuclear Power Plant. The objective of this inspection, inspection tasks and inspectors participating on the team are identified in the enclosure.

Members of your staff will be kept informed of our inspection progress and significant findings. An exit meeting with you or members of your staff will be conducted on June 10, 1988, in accordance with our normal procedures. The inspection results of the team inspection will be transmitted to you through the standard NRC inspection report.

If you have any questions regarding this activity, please contact the NRC Project Manager, G. Gears at (301) 492-0767.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Welding Inspection Plan Outline

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#### INSPECTION PLAN

### BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT

Inspection Topic: Welding Team Inspection

Date: May 16-27 and June 6-10, 1988

Inspection Report Nos.: 50-259/88-13, 50-260/88-13 and 50-296/88-13

### Inspectors:

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M. Schuster, Pipe Welding, Consultant

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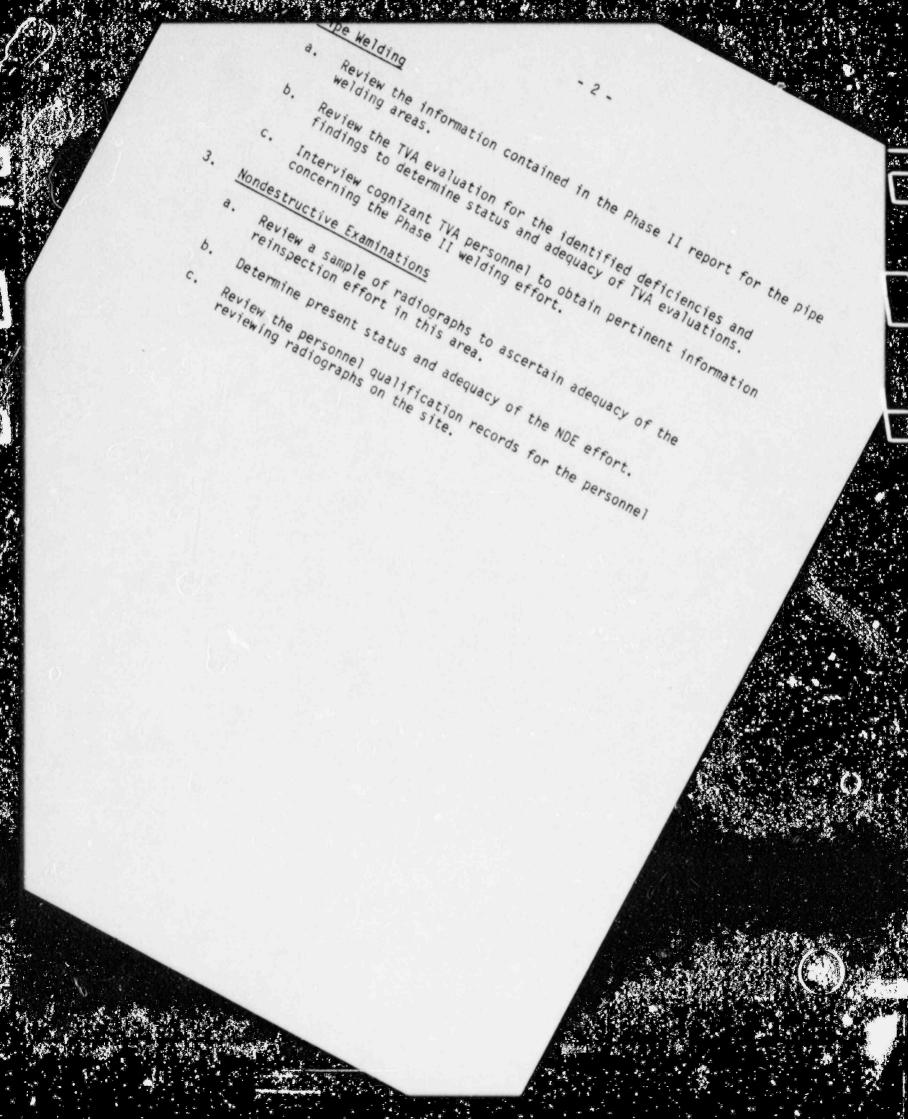
## Objective

The objectives of this inspection are: (1) to perform a welding inspection to review, address and close-out issues identified during the first NRC welding team inspection, (2) verify that TVA has an effective program in place to address and dispose employee concerns and that the concerns are handled and processed in accordance with this program, and (3) verify that the data, analysis and conclusions in the TVA Welding Project Phase II report accurately reflects the present status of the inspected plant hardware.

# Inspection Tasks:

# 1. Structural Welding

- a. Review the information contained in the Phase II report for the structural welding areas.
- b. Review the TVA evaluation for the identified deficiencies and findings to determine status and adequacy of TVA evaluations.
- c. Interview cognizant TVA personnel to obtain pertinent information concerning the Phase II welding effort.



# 2. Pipe Welding

- a. Review the information contained in the Phase II report for the pipe welding areas.
- b. Review the TVA evaluation for the identified deficiencies and findings to determine status and adequacy of TVA evaluations.
- Interview cognizant TVA personnel to obtain pertinent information concerning the Phase II welding effort.

# 3. Nondestructive Examinations

- a. Review a sample of radiographs to ascertain adequacy of the reinspection effort in this area.
- b. Determine present status and adequacy of the NDE effort.
- c. Review the personnel qualification records for the personnel reviewing radiographs on the site.