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Docket Nos. 50-259, 50-260, 50-296  
License Nos. DPR-33, DPR-52, DPR-68

Tennessee Valley Authority  
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-259/88-10, 50-260/88-10 AND  
50-296/88-10

This refers to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) inspection conducted by G. L. Paulk on April 1-30, 1988. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your Browns Ferry facility. 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 included operational safety, maintenance observation, surveillance testing observation, reportable occurrences, restart testing, personal dosimetry, fuel reconstitution, and Q-List. 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 certain activities appeared to violate NRC requirements in the area of procedural guidance for the preparation of NRC licensing submittals. The violation, references to pertinent requirements, and elements to be included in your response are described in the enclosed Notice of Violation. Also, please note that the Inspector Followup Item 260/88-10-01, addressed in paragraph 6 of the report, requires satisfactory resolution prior to fuel load. This item pertains to an installation deficiency of main steam tunnel blowout panels.

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 and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and the enclosures are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget issued under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. NRC Inspection Report

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