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December 18, 1997

Mr. James Lieberman Director, Office of Enforcement U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission One White Flint North 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, Maryland 20852

Dear Mr. Lieberman:

In the Matter of) Docket Nos. 50-259
Tennessee Valley Authority) 50-260
50-296

BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT (BFN) - PAYMENT OF CIVIL PENALTY ENFOR THENT ACTION 95-220

This letter is pursuant to your letter to TVA dated April 4, 1996, in which NRC agreed it would be appropriate for TVA to defer payment of the proposed civil penalty in the U.S. Department of Labor case involving Douglas Harrison pending the outcome of Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation's appeal of that case. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit has recencly issued a decision denying Stone & Webster's petition for rehearing, and we understand that Stone & Webster has decided that it will not pursue any further action regarding this case.

Payment of the proposed civil penalty in the amount of \$80,000 is being made by electronic fund transfer No. 90000124055.

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If you have any questions, please telephone Mark Burzynski at (423) 751-2508.

Sincerely,

J. A. Bairsy

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of December 1997

Carol L. Hamill

My Commission Expires 9-8-99

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