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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk Washington, DC 20555

Gentlemen:

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

BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT (BFN) - UNITS 1, 2, AND 3 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS (TS) CHANGE - 362 - IMPROVED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS (ITS) SUPPLEMENT 23 - ITS SECTION 5.0 - ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS

The Enclosure to this letter makes a supplemental change in support of the TS-362 amendment request relating to Section 5.0, Administrative Controls. TS-362 is TVA's conversion package from Current Technical Specifications (CTS) to ITS and was originally submitted to NRC on September 6, 1996.

The changes to ITS 5.0 and supporting documentation are being made in response to NRC comments provided in a teleconference on June 5, 1998. Specifically, the "may" in the introduction to ITS 5.7, High Radiation Area, is being changed to "shall." The "may" terminology was previously proposed to clarify that the ITS 5.7 wording did not preclude the use of alternative controls of high radiation areas specified by 10 CFR 20.1601(a) and 10 CFR 20.1601(b). However, after further discussing the issue with NRC, TVA is in agreement that the use of "shall" would not preclude use of the above mentioned Part 20 alternatives.

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The enclosed supplemental information does not alter the determination that the changes qualify for a categorical exclusion from environmental review pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 51.22(c)(9). Additionally, in accordance with 10 CFR 50.91(b)(1), TVA is sending a copy of this letter and enclosures to the Alabama State Department of Public Health.

There are no commitments contained in this letter. If you have any questions, please contact me at (256) 729-2636.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 10th day of June 1998.

Notary Public

My Commission expires

My Commission Expires 10/06/98

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Enclosure

ITS Section 5.0 ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS Revision 4

Enclosure Contents

- Summary Description of ITS/ITS BASES Changes
- ITS Revised Pages
- CTS Mark-up Revised Pages
- NUREG-1433 BWR/4 STS Mark-up Revised Pages
- Justification for Changes to NUREG-1433 (JDs) Revised Pages

SUMMARY DESCRIPTION of ITS CHANGES ITS SECTION 5.0 - ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS REVISION 4

TVA is submitting a proposed supplement to TS-362 for ITS Section 5.0, Administrative Controls, as described below.

5.7 - High Radiation Area

In response to an NRC comment, in the introduction to ITS 5.7, the term "may" is changed to "shall."