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Mr. Brian McDermott, Director
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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY LETTER REQUESTING
EXEMPTION FROM 10 CFR 50.10(c) TO ALLOW EXCAVATION AT THE
CLINCH RIVER NUCLEAR SITE PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION PERMIT
ISSUANCE

Dear Mr. McDermott:

The Commission has approved the enclosed exemption from specific requirements of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 50. This action is in response to letter from Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), dated November 30, 2023 (Agency wide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession Number ML23335A100), requesting an exemption from portions of 10 CFR 50.10(c) to allow TVA to conduct certain excavation support activities at the Clinch River Nuclear Site prior to issuance of a construction permit. A copy of the exemption is enclosed, and the exemption has also been forwarded to the Office of the *Federal Register* for publication.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Allen Fetter, Senior Project Manager, at (301) 415-8556 or by email at allen.fetter@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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Michelle W. Hayes, Chief
New Reactor Licensing and Infrastructure Branch
Division of New and Renewed Licenses
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No.: 99902056

Enclosure:
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