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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Gentlemen:

In the Matter of)	Docket No. 50-390
Tennessee Valley Authority)	

**WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT (WBN) - NRC REGULATORY ISSUE SUMMARY
(RIS) 2001-17 - PREPARATION AND SCHEDULING OF OPERATOR LICENSING
EXAMINATIONS**

RIS 2001-17 was released by NRC on August 22, 2001, and requested information regarding WBN's projected operator licensing examination schedules and the estimated number of applicants. The information requested by NRC was defined on Form 536. The enclosure to this letter addresses NRC's request and provides an estimate of the examination requirements for WBN.

Should you require additional information regarding this matter, please contact me at (423) 365-1824.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

Operator Licensing Examination Data (Data as defined on NRC Form 536)

FACILITY WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT				NRC REGION II		
A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE						
PROPOSED NUMBER	CY02	CY03	CY04	CY05		
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0		
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	0	1	0		
B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS						
PROPOSED NUMBER	CY02	CY03	CY04	CY05		
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	5	0	2	0		
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	8	0	2	0		
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	3	0	2	0		
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0		
PROPOSED DATES	12/02 - 12/13		08/02 - 08/06			
PRIMARY DATE						
ALTERNATE DATE						
C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE						
PROPOSED NUMBER	CY03			CY05		
	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES			4		4	