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Gentlemen:

In the Matter of)	Docket No. 50-390
Tennessee Valley Authority)	50-391

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT (WBN) UNIT 1 & 2 - NRC REGULATORY ISSUE
SUMMARY (RIS) 2007-17 - PREPARATION AND SCHEDULING OF OPERATOR
LICENSING EXAMINATIONS

RIS 2007-17 was released by NRC on July 12, 2007, and requested information regarding WBN's projected operator licensing examination schedules and the estimated number of applicants. The enclosure to this letter addresses NRC's request and provides an estimate of the examination requirements for WBN. This information is documented on NRC Form 536 (three forms) for calendar years 2008 through 2013.

There are no regulatory commitments in this submittal and should there be questions regarding this letter, please telephone me at (423) 365-1824.

Sincerely,

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**NRC Form 536 - Operator Licensing Examination Data
for Calendar Years 2008 through 2013 (Three Forms)**

**OPERATOR LICENSING
EXAMINATION DATA**

Estimated burden per response to comply with this voluntary information collection request: 1 hour. This information collection is used to plan budgets and resources for operator examinations. Send comments regarding burden estimate to the Records and FOIA/Privacy Services Branch (T-5 F53), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, or by internet e-mail to infocollect@nrc.gov, and to the Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, NEOB-10202, (3150-0131), Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503. If a means used to impose an information collection does not display a currently valid OMB control number, the NRC may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, the information collection.

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A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>08</u>	CY <u>09</u>	CY <u>09</u>	CY <u>10</u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	1	1	1
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>08</u>	CY <u>09</u>	CY <u>09</u>	CY <u>10</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	3	6	8	8
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	5	8	6	6
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	2	1	2	2
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	05/12/2008	03/16/2009	09/21/2009	03/15/2010
ALTERNATE DATE				

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>08</u>				CY <u>09</u>			
	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	14		14		14		14	

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PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>10</u>	CY <u>11</u>	CY <u>11</u>	CY <u>12</u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	1	1	1
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>10</u>	CY <u>11</u>	CY <u>11</u>	CY <u>12</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	8	8	8	8
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	6	6	6	6
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	2	2	2	2
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	09/20/2010	03/21/2011	09/19/2011	03/19/2012
ALTERNATE DATE				

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>10</u>				CY <u>11</u>			
	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	14		14		14		14	

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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	1	1	
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>12</u>	CY <u>13</u>	CY <u>13</u>	CY ____
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	8	8	8	
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	6	6	6	
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	2	2	2	
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	09/17/2012	03/18/2013	09/16/2013	
ALTERNATE DATE				

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>13</u>				CY ____			
	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	14		14					