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Mr. Victor M. McCree
Regional Administrator, Region II
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Attn: Mr. Malcolm T. Widmann

Watts Bar Nuclear Plant, Unit 1
Facility Operating License No. NPF-90
NRC Docket No. 50-390

Subject: Reactor and Senior Reactor Operator Initial Examinations

Reference: Letter from M. T. Widmann (NRC) to R. M. Krich (TVA), "Watts Bar Nuclear Plant – Notification of Licensed Operator Initial Examination - 05000390/2011302," dated April 29, 2011

In the above referenced letter, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) notified the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) that it will be administering operating tests at the Watts Bar Nuclear Plant (WBN), Unit 1, during the weeks of October 17 and 24, 2011, and written examinations on October 31, 2011. TVA submitted the requested outlines for the operating test via overnight mail to Mr. Ronald F. Aiello, NRC Region II, on July 28, 2011.

This letter contains no new regulatory commitments. In accordance with 10 CFR 55.49, "Integrity of examinations and tests," and NUREG 1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors," appropriate measures have been taken to ensure examination integrity and security. Accordingly, it is requested that the exam outlines provided to Mr. Aiello be withheld from public disclosure until the examinations are completed later this year.

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TVA's principal contact regarding the license examinations is Mr. John R. Dalton, WBN Operations Training Manager. Should you require additional information regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Dalton at (423) 365-8081 or Chris Riedl, Site Licensing Manager, at (423) 365-1742.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Grissette', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Don E. Grissette
Site Vice President
Watts Bar Nuclear Plant