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SYNOPSIS

This investigation was initiated by the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), Office of Investigations (OI), Region II (RII), on June 7, 2013, to determine whether the two Assistant Unit Operators (AUO), at Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant (BFNP) willfully falsified, by virtue of their signature, the same date and time for the manipulation and application of all nine Danger tags contained in Tagout No. 0-TO-3013-001 and Clearance No. 0-023-008.

Based upon the evidence developed during this investigation, OI:RII did not substantiate that the two AUO's willfully falsified, by virtue of their signature the same date and time for the manipulation and application of all nine Danger tags contained in Tagout No. 0-TO-3013-001 and Clearance No. 0-023-008.

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