

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

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400 Chestnut Street Tower II

May 21, 1982

Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Denton:

In the Matter of the)	Docket Nos. 50-259
Tennessee Valley Authority)	50-260
		50-296

By letter from T. A. Ippolito to H. G. Parris dated October 24, 1980 TVA received Orders for Modification of Licenses for the Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant units 1, 2, and 3 regarding the subject of environmental qualification of safety-related electrical equipment. Specifically that license modification order added a condition to the Browns Ferry technical specifications requiring that by June 30, 1982 all safety-related electrical equipment shall be qualified in accordance with the provisions of either the DOR "Guidelines for Evaluating Environmental Qualification of Class IE Electrical Equipment in Operating Reactors" or NUREG-0588, "Interim Staff Position on Environmental Qualification of Safety-Related Electrical Equipment."

By my letters to you dated October 28 and November 20, 1981 we provided the Browns Ferry integrated modification schedule. Included was the schedule for qualifying the safety-related electrical equipment. Some of the problems TVA is experiencing in this area were also outlined in my letter to you dated July 21, 1981.

This letter is to formally notify you that we will not be able to comply with the above referenced technical specification condition ✓ by the June 30, 1982 deadline, and to request that the Browns Ferry operating licenses be amended by revision of the technical specifications by June 15, 1982. This request is consistent with the proposed addition of new 10 CFR 50.49 which would codify the environmental qualification requirements and extend the deadline for implementation. We request your immediate attention in this regard because after June 30, 1982 operation of Browns Ferry will not be in compliance with the operating licenses unless these technical specifications are amended.

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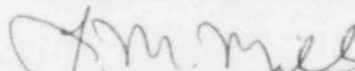
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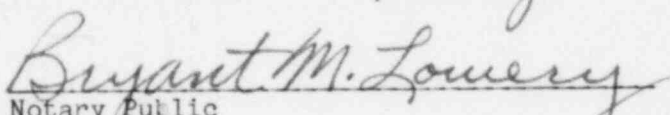
In accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR Part 170.22 we have determined this request for license amendment to be exempt from fees. This determination is based on the fact that the need for this amendment is a result of a Commission Order, and, as outlined in footnote 2 of Part 170.22, such amendments are not subject to these fees.

Very truly yours,

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY


L. M. Mills, Manager
Nuclear Licensing

Subscribed and sworn to before
me this 21st day of May 1982.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires 4/8/86

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