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SUBJECT: PLANT PERFORMANCE REVIEW (PPR) - BROWNS FERRY

Dear Mr. Kingsley:

On March 10, 1997, the Regional staff completed the semiannual Plant Performance Review (PPR) of Browns Ferry. The staff conducts these reviews for all operating nuclear power plants to develop an integrated understanding of safety performance. The results are used by Regional management to facilitate planning and allocation of inspection resources. The PPR for Browns Ferry involved the participation of all technical divisions in evaluating inspection results and safety performance information for the period from September 1996, through February 1997. PPRs provide regional management with a current summary of licensee performance and serve as inputs to the NRC Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance and senior management meeting reviews.

This letter advises you of our planned inspection effort resulting from the Browns Ferry PPR review. It is provided in an attempt to minimize the resource impact on your staff and to allow for scheduling conflicts to be resolved in advance of inspection dates. The enclosure presents our inspection plan for the next six months. Specific dates are included for near term inspections. Long term inspection dates will be announced prior to the inspections and any scheduling conflicts will be resolved with your staff. The rationale or basis for each inspection outside the core inspection program is provided so that you are aware of the reasons for emphasis in these program areas. Resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature.

During each NRC inspection planned during this period, specific attention will continue to be given to the verification of selected Updated Final Safety Analysis Report (UFSAR) commitments. Applicable portion(s) of the UFSAR that relate to the inspection activities will be reviewed and verification made that the UFSAR commitments have been properly implemented into plant practices, procedures and/or parameters.

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We will inform you of any changes to the inspection plan. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. M. Lesser at (404) 331-0342.

Sincerely,

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Docket Nos. 50-259, 50-260, 50-296
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Enclosure: Browns Ferry Inspection Plan

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BROWNS FERRY INSPECTION PLAN

Inspection Procedure	Title	No. of Inspectors	Inspection Dates	Type of Inspection
IP 62706	Maintenance Rule Inspection	5	4/14-18/97	Baseline Maintenance Rule inspection
-	Operational Safeguards Response Evaluation	6	5/97	To validate the site security response effectiveness
IP 37500	Engineering	1	6/97	Core Inspection
IP 82301 82302	EP Exercise	3	6/97	Core Inspection
TI 2515/109	Generic Letter 89-10 (MOV)	1	7/97	Closeout inspection of Generic Letter 89-10 (MOV)
IP 37500	Engineering	1	7/97	Core Inspection
IP 81700	Physical Security Program	1	8/97	Core Inspection
IP 73753	Inservice Inspection	1	9/97	Core Inspection
IP 83750	Radiation Protection	1	9/97	Core Inspection
IP 62700	Post Maintenance Testing	1	9/97	Regional Initiative - Switchyard and online maintenance review

Enclosure