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Mr. Loren R. Plisco, Director
Division of Reactor Projects
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region II
Atlanta Federal Center
61 Forsyth Street, SW, Suite 23T85
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Dear Mr. Plisco:

NOTICE OF VIOLATION (NOV) NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION (NRC)
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS (OI) REPORT NO. 2-98-013)

I am in receipt of NRC's letter to me dated February 7, 2000. I have spoken with representatives of TVA Nuclear who informed me of their request for information associated with the subject OI report as well as the transcripts of the related enforcement conferences. Part of this discussion included giving them permission to request the transcript of my individual enforcement conference. It is essential to me that I be afforded the opportunity to review all of this material in order for me to fully respond to the above-mentioned letter. Accordingly, I hereby request that you extend the time for me to respond to the subject NOV to coincide with the time allotted to TVA Nuclear to respond to its Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty.

This matter is of utmost importance to me, and I believe that the amount of information to be reviewed and the time it will take to receive and review that information constitute good cause for an extension of my response time.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas J. McGrath". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Thomas J. McGrath

cc: Mr. Mark J. Burzynski
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