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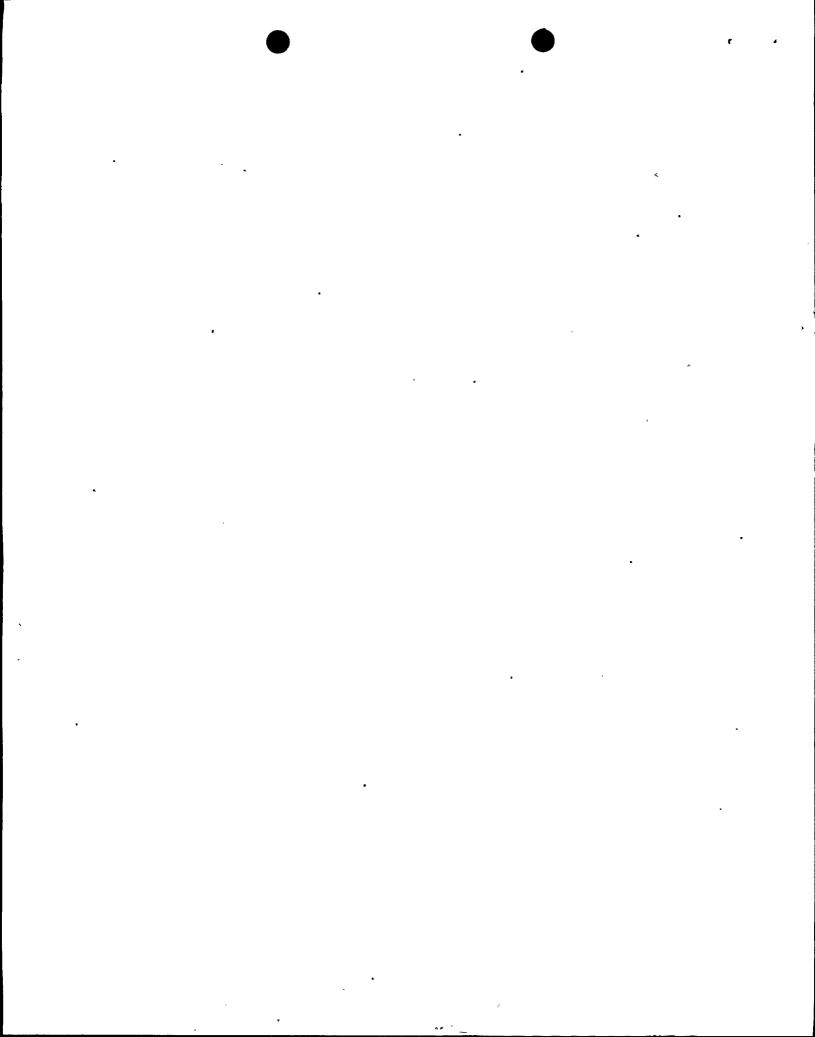
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#### Gentlemen:

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

BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT (BFN) - UNITS 1, 2, AND 3 - ANNUAL RADIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENTAL OPERATING REPORT (AREOR) REPORT - JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER 1998

In accordance with the BFN Technical Specifications (TS) Section 5.6.2, TVA is submitting the AREOR report for BFN Units 1, 2, and 3. This report covers the period from January through December 1998.

TS Section 5.6.2 requires that the enclosed AREOR report contain summaries, interpretations, and analyses of trends of the results of the Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program for the reporting period. In addition, the BFN Offsite Dose Calculation Manual, Section 5.1, requires the AREOR to include the following information:

- Results of land use censuses
- Summarized and tabulated results of the radiological environmental samples taken during the reporting period, in the format of Regulatory Guide 4.8, December 1975, and NUREG 1302, April 1991
- Summary description of the radiological environmental monitoring program

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- A map of sampling locations keyed to a table giving distances and directions from one reactor
- Results of TVA's participation in the Interlaboratory Comparison Program

The report concludes that based upon the analysis of the environmental sampling results and trend data, the exposure to members of the public which may have been attributable to BFN operation is negligible.

There are no commitments contained in this letter. If you have any questions, please contact me at (256) 729-2636.

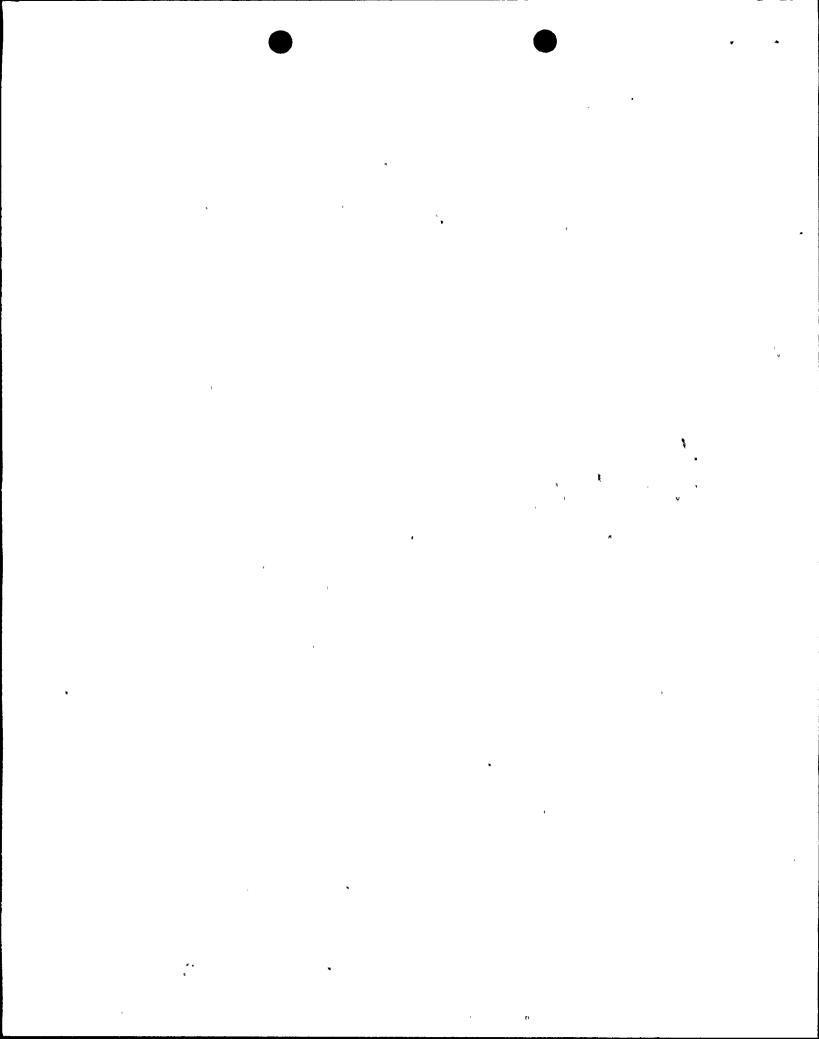
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