

August 19, 2016

Mr. J. W. Shea
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SUBJECT: TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY REQUEST AND SCHEDULE FOR
SUBMITTAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF EARLY
SITE PERMIT APPLICATION FOR CLINCH RIVER NUCLEAR SITE

Dear Mr. Shea:

By letter dated May 12, 2016, Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) submitted an early site permit application to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) for the Clinch River Nuclear site located in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. During its acceptance review process, the NRC staff had several interactions with TVA to discuss the contents of the application. Based on these interactions, in a letter dated August 11, 2016, TVA subsequently stated that it intends to supplement certain aspects of its application in order to help ensure that NRC can perform its technical review within a predictable timeframe. TVA proposes to provide multiple submittals of supplemental information to the NRC, which are specified in the Enclosure to your letter. TVA's anticipated schedule for the final submittal of all supplemental information is no later than December 15, 2016.

The NRC staff has reviewed TVA's request. Consistent with its guidance and after receipt of the last submission of supplemental information by TVA, the NRC staff will make its final acceptance review determination. The application will remain tendered but will not be docketed until the aforementioned information is submitted and markups of relevant portions of the Site Safety Analysis Report and Environmental Report are made (by December 15, 2016). During this time, except for discussions related to the submittal of the supplemental information, the NRC will not continue any technical review activities of the application.

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If you have any questions regarding these matters, please contact the Acting Branch Chief, Environmental Projects Branch, Dr. Allen Fetter, at 301-415-8556 or by e-mail at Allen.Fetter@nrc.gov. Questions that are specific to the environmental review may be directed to either Tamsen Dozier (Tamsen.Dozier@nrc.gov, 301-415-2272) or Patricia Vokoun (Patricia.Vokoun@nrc.gov, 301-415-3470).

Sincerely,

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