

## Office of the Inspector General

Tennessee Valley Authority, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902-1401

Richard W. Moore Inspector General

December 12, 2007

The Honorable Robert M. Duncan Tennessee Valley Authority Board of Directors Republican National Committee 310 First Street, SE Washington, DC 20003

Dear Mr. Duncan:

AUDIT 2007-11133 – REVIEW OF PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS' AUDIT OF THE TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY FISCAL YEAR 2007 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Under the Inspector General Act, the Inspector General (IG) is responsible for taking appropriate steps to assure that any work performed by nonfederal auditors, including PricewaterhouseCoopers, complies with generally accepted government auditing standards. The Chief Financial Officers Act also places responsibilities on the IG regarding TVA's annual financial statement audit. In keeping with these statutory responsibilities, the TVA Office of Inspector General reviewed PricewaterhouseCoopers' reports and related audit documentation, interviewed their representatives, and performed such other procedures as we deemed appropriate in the circumstances to provide reasonable assurance the audit was performed in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards.

The objective of our review was not intended to enable us to express, and we do not express, an opinion on the TVA's financial statements or on management's conclusions about the effectiveness of its system of internal control. PricewaterhouseCoopers is responsible for the auditor's reports dated December 10, 2007, and the conclusions expressed in the reports. However, our review disclosed no instances where PricewaterhouseCoopers did not comply, in all material respects, with generally accepted government auditing standards. Our review was performed in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards.

Very truly yours,

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