



**Mike “Fireball” Blakely**

Nuclear Unit Operator

Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant

14 Years of TVA Service

**Education and Professional Designations:**

Network Engineering Certification, Athens State University.

United States Navy Nuclear Machinist Mate “A” School, Power School, and Prototype Reactor Unit Operator Training, TVA Nuclear Accreditation Program.

**TVA Experience:**

I have worked 14 years for TVA, and for the last 5 years I have also served as Business Manager of IBEW Local Union 765, protecting and advancing the rights and benefits of my fellow members. Some call it a “part time officer” position due to performing both my job at TVA as a nuclear unit operator and my job as an officer of the local union, but, honestly, there is nothing “part time” about it. Anything worth doing is worth doing right was the advice my grandparents instilled in me, and that is how I try to conduct every aspect of my job and my life.