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SUBJECT: WATERFORD STEAM ELECTRIC STATION, UNIT 3 RE: SAFETY EVALUATION OF LICENSEE RESPONSE TO GENERIC LETTER 95-07, "PRESSURE LOCKING AND THERMAL BINDING OF SAFETY-RELATED POWER-OPERATED GATE VALVES," (TAC NO. M93536)

On August 17, 1995, the NRC issued Generic Letter (GL) 95-07 to request that licensees take actions to ensure that safety-related power-operated gate valves that are susceptible to pressure locking or thermal binding are capable of performing their safety functions.

In their letter dated February 13, 1996, Entergy Operations, Inc. (the licensee) submitted its 180-day response to GL 95-07 for Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3. The NRC staff reviewed the licensee's submittal and requested additional information in a letter dated June 24, 1996. The licensee provided the additional information by letter dated August 1, 1996, and supplemented their 180-day response in a letter dated June 17, 1999.

The NRC staff has reviewed the licensee's submittals and finds that the licensee has adequately addressed the actions requested in GL 95-07. The staff's safety evaluation is enclosed. This completes our efforts on TAC No. M93536.

Sincerely,

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