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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-458/00-05

Dear Mr. Edington:

This refers to the inspection conducted on January 31-February 4, 2000, at the River Bend Station facility. The enclosed report presents the results of this inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection included portions of your physical security program. We determined that your physical security program was properly implemented. However, based on the results of this inspection, the NRC has determined that one Severity Level IV violation of NRC requirements occurred. The violation is being treated as a noncited violation (NCV), consistent with Section VII.B.1.a of the Enforcement Policy. The NCV is described in the subject inspection report. If you contest the violation or severity level of the NCV, you should provide a response within 30 days of the date of this inspection report, with the basis for your denial, to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington DC 20555-0001, with copies to the Regional Administrator, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region IV, 611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 400, Arlington, Texas 76011, the Director, Office of Enforcement, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; and the NRC Resident Inspector at the River Bend Station facility.

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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

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Licensee: Entergy Operations, Inc.
Facility: River Bend Station
Location: 5485 U.S. Highway 61
St. Francisville, Louisiana
Dates: January 31-February 4, 2000
Inspector(s): A. B. Earnest, Physical Security Specialist
Approved By: Gail M. Good, Chief, Plant Support Branch
Attachment: Supplemental Information

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

River Bend Station
NRC Inspection Report No. 50-458/00-05

This was an announced inspection of the licensee's physical security program. The areas inspected included access control of personnel, packages, and vehicles; access authorization; protected area detection aids; assessment aids; safeguards event logs; and security organization.

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- A violation of the physical security plan was identified for inadequate access control equipment when one of two metal detectors failed to detect the test weapon. Maintenance personnel corrected the problem prior to the end of the inspection. Subsequent tests indicated that the corrective action was effective and that the affected metal detector met physical security plan requirements. This Severity Level IV violation is being treated as a noncited violation, consistent with Section VII.B.1.a of the NRC Enforcement Policy. The violation was entered into the corrective action program as Condition Report CR-RBS-2000-200 (Section S1.1).
- The access authorization program was effectively implemented (Section S1.2).
- Vehicle access control to the protected area was effectively controlled (Section S1.3).
- The protected area detection aids system met physical security plan requirements (Section S2.1).
- The assessment aids system provided effective assessment of the perimeter detection zones (Section S2.2).
- The licensee security event logs were well maintained (Section S3.1).
- The numbers of security officers per shift met physical security plan requirements (Section S6.1).

ATTACHMENT

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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INSPECTION PROCEDURES USED

IP 81700 Physical Security Program for Power Reactors

LIST OF ITEMS OPENED, CLOSED AND DISCUSSED

Items Opened and Closed

50-458/0005-01 NCV Inadequate Access Control Equipment

Items Discussed

None

LIST OF DOCUMENTS REVIEWED

River Bend Physical Security Plan, Revision 18C, dated September 10, 1998

River Bend Station Training and Qualification Plan, Revision 13, dated December 8, 1998

River Bend Station Procedure AOP-0054, "Security Events," Revision 3

Safeguards Event Logs, First - Fourth Quarters, 1999

Condition Report CR-RBS-2000-200

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