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December 17, 1998

SUBJECT: ARKANSAS NUCLEAR ONE, UNIT 1 - WITHDRAWAL OF AN AMENDMENT
REQUEST (TAC NO. M99450)

Dear Mr. Hutchinson:

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The Commission has filed the enclosed Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License with the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,
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Docket No. 50-313

Enclosure: Notice of Withdrawal

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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**ENTERGY OPERATIONS INC.****DOCKET NO. 50-313****NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION FOR
AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE**

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Entergy Operations, Inc. (the licensee) to withdraw its December 12, 1997, application for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. DPR-51 for Arkansas Nuclear One, Unit No. 1, located in Pope County, Arkansas.

The proposed amendment would have established an alternate repair criteria for the segment of steam generator tubes that are located within the upper tube sheet.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on February 11, 1998 (63 FR 6984). However, by letter dated December 15, 1998, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated December 12, 1997, and the licensee's letter dated December 15, 1998, which withdrew the application for license amendment. The above documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Tomlinson Library, Arkansas Tech University, Russellville, AR 72801.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 17th day of December 1998.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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