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Subject: Quality Assurance Program Approval For Radioactive Material Packages  
(Approval #0536) - Year 2000

Grand Gulf Nuclear Station  
Docket No. 50-416  
License No. NPF-29

GNRO-2000/00027

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Entergy Operations requests a renewal of our Quality Assurance (QA) Program Approval for Radioactive Material Packages, (Approval Number 0536) which expires April 30, 2000. Entergy Operations intends to again apply the applicable criteria of 10CFR50 Appendix B Quality Assurance Program to transportation activities as authorized by 10CFR71.101(f). The Quality Assurance (QA) Program Approval for Radioactive Material Packages was previously based on the site specific Operations Quality Assurance Manual (OQAM). A common corporate level Quality Assurance Program Manual (QAPM) was created combining the individual EOI site QA programs. It is our intent to renew the application based on the QAPM, which became effective on April 30, 1999.

EOI is exploring the possibility of combining the program approval process for all of our nuclear stations under a single application. At this time, however, your prompt review of this renewal is requested in order to minimize the impact on Grand Gulf Nuclear Station (GGNS) package handling operations. GGNS understands that the current program approval will expire on April 30, 2000 and that no shipping of radioactive material packages will be allowed from the site after that date until renewal is received.

Should you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact Jerry Burford at (601) 368-5755.

Very truly yours,



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