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Mr. Thomas J. Kenyon
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United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Re: *Entergy Operations Inc., Arkansas Nuclear One Unit 1, Summary of Site Audit to Support Review of License Renewal Application of Arkansas Nuclear One Unit 1.*

Dear Mr. Kenyon:

Of the five issues addressed by the environmental review team during the ANO-1 site visit, the Caddo Tribe of Oklahoma is most concerned with point number five relating to the archeological sites at the ANO-1 site. Arkansas, and specifically this area, has the potential to produce many important historic properties. We are also concerned with the subsurface disturbance to any of these properties. The Caddo Tribe of Oklahoma has had a long history in the state of Arkansas. We ask that as a condition of this and any future permits that the area be surveyed for archeological and historic properties and that any areas of disturbance be reported to the Arkansas Historic Preservation Officer and to the Caddo Tribe of Oklahoma.

Under 36 CFR 800.6(a) it is the duty of the Agency official to "consult with the SHPO/THPO and other consulting parties, including Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations, to develop and evaluate alternatives or modifications to the undertaking that could avoid, minimize or mitigate adverse effects on historic properties." It is very disturbing to hear from your letter of May 1, 2000, that the reforestation program at the site, "disturbed some of the sites". How so, and what kind of action will the NRC take to make sure this will not happen again? Has a site damage assessment of the area been done? Is there a Historic Properties Management Plan for the area? What does 'some' mean? We look forward to a timely response to these questions. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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Historic Preservation Officer
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