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Subject:

Entergy Operations, Inc.

Withdrawal of Consideration of Operational Quality Assurance Manual

(OQAM), Revision 16 (TAC No. MA4360)

Grand Gulf Nuclear Station Unit 1

Docket No. 50-416 License No. NPF-29

Reference:

- 1. Letter W. A. Eaton (EOI) to NRC, GNRO-98/00094, "Operational Quality Assurance Manual (OQAM), Revision 16," dated November 13, 1998
- Letter J. N. Hannon (NRC) to M. R. Kansler (EOI), "Consolidation of Quality Assurance (QA) Programs into One Quality Assurance Program Manual for all Entergy Sites – Arkansas Nuclear One, Grand Gulf Nuclear Station, Riber Bend Station and Waterford Steam Electric Station (TAC No. M97893)", dated November 6, 1998
- 3. Letter M. A. Krupa to NRC, CNRO-99/00015, "Implementation of the Common Quality Assurance Program Manual", dated May 6, 1999

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Gentlemen:

On November 13, 1998, in accordance with 10CFR50.54(a)(3), Entergy Operations, Inc. (EOI) submitted the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station (GGNS) Operational Quality Assurance Manual (OQAM), Topical Report GGNS-TOP-1A, Revision 16. The changes made in this revision reflected various organizational changes and did not include any reduction of commitments to the previously accepted Quality Program (OQAM, Revision 15). Therefore, NRC approval of the changes was not required nor requested.

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At the same time that EOI was preparing this revision to the GGNS Quality Program, the NRC was reviewing another EOI submittal for the consolidation of the QA programs into a single QA Program Manual (TAC No. M97893). NRC acceptance of this consolidated QA program was issued November 6, 1998. Implementation of the consolidated program was completed at each site on April 30, 1999.

The consolidated EOI QA Program Manual (QAPM) superseded the individual site QA manuals. Since the GGNS Operational QA Manual no longer exists, EOI is requesting closure of TAC No. MA4360 without further review or acceptance of this superseded manual. If you have any further questions or comments pertaining to this information, please contact Ms. Adrienne Smith at (601) 368-5275.

This letter contains no commitments.

Yours truly,

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