December 18, 1991

Docket No. 50-416

Mr. William T. Cottle Vice President, Operations GGNS Entergy Operations, Inc. Post Office Box 756 Port Gibson, Mississippi 39150

Dear Mr. Cottle:

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT NO. 86 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

NO. NPF-29 - GRAND GULF NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 1, REGARDING

(TAC NO. M81707)

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This change to the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station has been proposed in accordance with the guidance provided by the NRC staff in Generic Letter 91-01.

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DOCKET NO. 50-416

GRAND GULF NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 86 License No. NPF-29

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by Entergy Operations, Inc. (the licensee) dated September 11, 1991, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission:
 - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations;
 - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
 - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.

- 2. Accordingly, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications, as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment; and paragraph 2.C.(2) of Facility Operating License No. NPF-29 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - (2) <u>Technical Specifications</u>

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, as revised through Amendment No. 86, are hereby incorporated into this license. Entergy Operations, Inc. shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan.

3. This license amendment is effective as of its date of issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: Changes to the Technical Specifications

Date of Issuance: December 18, 1991

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 86

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-29

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Replace the following page of the Appendix A Technical Specifications with the attached page. The revised page is identified by amendment number and contains a vertical line indicating the area of change. The corresponding overleaf page is also provided to maintain document completeness.

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TABLE 3.8.4.2-1 (Continued)

MOTOR OPERATED VALVES THERMAL OVERLOAD PROTECTION

VALVE NUMBER	BYPASS DEVICE (CONTINUOUS) (ACCIDENT CONDITIONS) (MO)	SYSTEM(S) AFFECTED			
Q1P72F121	Continuous	Drywell CW System			
Q1P72F122	Continuous	Drywell CW System			
Q1P72F125	Continuous	Drywell Ca System			
Q1P72F123	Continuous	Drywell CW System			
Q1P72F124	Continuous	Drywell CW System			
Q1P72F126	Continuous	Drywell CW System			
Q1P44F042		Drywell CW System			
Q1P44F054	Continuous	Plant SW System			
Q1P44F067	Continuous	Plant SW System			
Q1/ 13 / 00/	Continuous	Plant SW System			
Q1P45F096	Continuous	Floom & Ford Burk &			
Q1P45F097	Continuous	Floor & Eqmt. Drain System			
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Q1P52F195	Continuous	Service Air System			
Q1P53F003	Continuous	Instrument Air System			
Q1P53F007	Continuous	Instrument Air System			
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Q1T48F005	Continuous	SGTS			
Q1T48F006	Continuous	SGTS			
Q1T48F024	Continuous	SGTS			
Q1T48F026	Continuous	SGTS			
Q1748F023	Continuous	SGTS			
Q1T48F025	Continuous	SGTS			
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Q1P45F273	Continuous	Floor & Eqmt. Drain System			
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REACTOR PROTECTION SYSTEM ELECTRIC POWER MONITORING

LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

3.8.4.3 Two RPS electric power monitoring assemblies for each inservice RPS MG set or alternate power supply shall be OPERABLE.

APPLICABILITY: At all times.

ACTION:

- a. With one RPS electric power monitoring assembly for an inservice RPS MG set or alternate power supply inoperable, restore the inoperable power monitoring system to OPERABLE status within 72 hours or remove the associated RPS MG set or alternate power supply from service.
- b. With both RPS electric power monitoring assemblies for an inservice RPS MG set or alternate power supply inoperable, restore at least one electric power monitoring assembly to OPERABLE status within 30 minutes or remove the associated RPS MG set or alternate power supply from service.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 4.8.4.3 The above specified RPS electric power monitoring assemblies shall be determined OPERABLE:
 - a. By performance of a CHANNEL FUNCTIONAL TEST each time the plant is in COLD SHUTDOWN for a period of more than 24 hours, unless performed in the previous 6 months.
 - b. At least once per 18 months by demonstrating the OPERABILITY of overvoltage, under-voltage and under-frequency protective instrumentation by performance of a CHANNEL CALIBRATION including simulated automatic actuation of the protective relays, tripping logic and output circuit breakers and verifying the following setpoints:

1.	Over-voltage	Bus	Α	<	132.9	VAC
	•	Bus	В	₹	133.0	VAC

2. Under-voltage Bus A
$$\geq$$
 115.0 VAC Bus B \geq 115.9 VAC

3. Under-frequency Bus A
$$\geq$$
 57 Hz Bus B \geq 57 Hz



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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION

RELATED TO AMENDMENT NO. 86 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-29

ENTERGY OPERATIONS, INC., ET AL.

GRAND GULF NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 1

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter of September 11, 1991, Entergy, Inc. (the licensee), requested an amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-29 for the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station, Unit 1. The proposed change modifies the requirements for performing a channel functional test of electrical protective assemblies (EPAs) that are currently specified with a 6-month surveillance interval. Guidance on this proposed change was provided to all boiling-water reactor (BWR) licensees by Generic Letter 91-09, of June 27, 1991.

2. EVALUATION

The licensee has proposed to modify the 6-month surveillance interval for performing channel functional tests of EPAs as specified in TS 4.8.4.4 a. to state that they are to be performed "when the plant is in COLD SHUTDOWN for a period of more than 24 hours, unless performed within the previous 6 months." This change is consistent with the guidance provided in Generic Letter 91-09.

The Niagara Mowhawk Power Corporation provided an analysis in a proposal submitted on December 15, 1988, that calculated the safety risks and benefits of this TS change. The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff reviewed and concurred with the conclusions of this analysis that this TS change will produce a net safety benefit. Because the EPAs for all BWRs are primarily the same, the staff ands that this analysis applies generically to all BWRs. In addition, it is the staff's qualative judgement that the proposed increase in the surveillance interval is not safety significant because of the diverse protection that exists, the number of failures that have to occur to have an adverse impact on safety, and the potential for detecting a degraded condition of the reactor protection system through on-line testing. Therefore, the staff finds that the licensee's proposed TS change is acceptable.

3.0 STATE CONSULTATION

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, the Mississippi State official was notified of the proposed issuance of the amendment. The State official had no comments.

4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

The amendment changes a requirement with respect to installation or use of a facility component located within the restricted area as defined in 10 CFR Part 20 and changes surveillance requirements. The NRC staff has determined that the amendment involves no significant increase in the amounts, and no significant change in the types, of any effluents that may be released offsite, and that there is no significant increase in individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure. The Commission has previously issued a proposed finding that the amendment involves no significant hazards consideration, and there has been no public comment on such finding (56 FR 51924). Accordingly, the amendment meets the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(9). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b) no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the issuance of the amendment.

5.0 CONCLUSION

The Commission has concluded, based on the considerations discussed above, that: (1) there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, (2) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations, and (3) the issuance of the amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

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Date: December 18, 1991