

July 30, 1996

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SUBJECT: RIVER BEND STATION, UNIT 1 - AMENDMENT NO. 88 TO FACILITY
OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-47 (TAC NO. M95478)

Dear Mr. McGaha:

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A copy of our related Safety Evaluation is enclosed. The Notice of Issuance will be included in the Commission's next biweekly Federal Register notice.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-458

Enclosures: 1. Amendment No. 88 to NPF-47
2. Safety Evaluation

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GULF STATES UTILITIES COMPANY**

CAJUN ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE AND

ENERGY OPERATIONS, INC.

DOCKET NO. 50-458

RIVER BEND STATION, UNIT 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 88
License No. NPF-47

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by Gulf States Utilities* (now renamed Entergy Gulf States, Inc.) dated May 20, 1996, 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, as amended, 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 license amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and

* EOI is authorized to act as agent for Gulf States Utilities Company (now renamed Entergy Gulf States, Inc.), which has been authorized to act as agent for Cajun Electric Power Cooperative, and has exclusive responsibility and control over the physical construction, operation and maintenance of the facility.

**Gulf States Utilities Company (now renamed Entergy Gulf States, Inc.), which owns a 70 percent undivided interest in River Bend, has merged with a wholly owned subsidiary of Entergy Corporation. Gulf States Utilities Company (now renamed Entergy Gulf States, Inc.) was the surviving company in the merger.

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, as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment, by amending paragraphs 1.A, 1.F, 2., 2.A., 2.B.(1), 2.C.(3)a., 2.C.(3)b., 2.C.(16), 2.C.(16)a., and 2.C.(16)b. of Facility Operating License No. NPF-47 to read as follows:

1.A. The application for license filed by Gulf States Utilities Company (now renamed Entergy Gulf States, Inc.), acting on behalf of itself and Cajun Electric Power Cooperative, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I, and all required notifications to other agencies or bodies have been duly made;

1.F. Entergy Gulf States, Inc., Cajun Electric Power Cooperative, and EOI have satisfied the applicable provisions of 10 CFR Part 140, "Financial Protection Requirements and Indemnity Agreements," of the Commission's regulations;

2. Based on the foregoing findings and approval by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission at a meeting on November 15, 1985, the License for Fuel Loading and Low Power Testing, License No. NPF-40, issued on August 29, 1985, is superseded by Facility Operating License NPF-47 hereby issued to EOI, Entergy Gulf States, Inc. and Cajun Electric Power Cooperative (the licensees), to read as follows:

2.A. This license applies to the River Bend Station, Unit 1, a boiling water nuclear reactor and associated equipment, owned by Entergy Gulf States, Inc. and Cajun Electric Power Cooperative and operated by EOI. The facility is located approximately 2 miles east of the Mississippi River in West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana, approximately 2.7 miles southeast of St. Francisville, Louisiana and approximately 18 miles northwest of the city limits of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and is described in the "Final Safety Analysis Report, as supplemented and amended, and in the Environmental Report-Operating License Stage, as supplemented and amended.

2.B.(1) Entergy Gulf States, Inc. and Cajun Electric Power Cooperative to possess the facility at the designated location in West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana, in accordance with the procedures and limitations set forth in this license;

2.C.(3)a. Entergy Gulf States, Inc. shall comply with the antitrust conditions in Appendix C, attached hereto, which is hereby incorporated in this license.

2.C.(3)b. EOI shall not market or broker power or energy from River Bend Station, Unit 1. Entergy Gulf States, Inc. is responsible and accountable for the actions of its agent, EOI, to the extent said agent's actions affect the marketing or brokering of power or energy from River Bend Station, Unit 1 and, in any way, contravene the antitrust conditions of this paragraph or Appendix C of this license.

2.C.(16) Entergy Gulf States, Inc. shall inform the Director, NRR:

2.C.(16)a. Sixty days prior to a transfer (excluding grants of security interests or liens) from Entergy Gulf States, Inc. to Entergy or any other entity of facilities for the production, transmission or distribution of electric energy having a depreciated book value exceeding one percent (1%) of Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s consolidated net utility plant, as recorded on Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s books of account.

2.C.(16)b. Of an award of damages in litigation initiated against Entergy Gulf States, Inc. by Cajun Electric Power Cooperative regarding River Bend within 30 days of the award.

3. The license is also amended by changing the footnote on the bottom of License Page 1 to read as follows:

* EOI is authorized to act as agent for Entergy Gulf States, Inc., which has been authorized to act as agent for Cajun Electric Power Cooperative, and has exclusive responsibility and control over the physical construction, operation and maintenance of the facility.

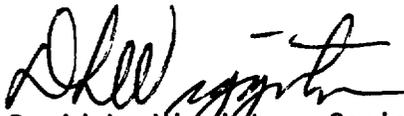
**Entergy Gulf States, Inc., which owns a 70 percent undivided interest in River Bend, has merged with a wholly owned subsidiary of Entergy Corporation. Entergy Gulf States, Inc. was the surviving company in the merger.

4. The license is also amended by changing the footnote on the bottom of License Page 4 to read as follows:

* The original licensee authorized to possess, use and operate the facility was Gulf States Utilities Company (GSU). Amendment No. 88 resulted in a name change for Gulf States Utilities Company (GSU) to Entergy Gulf States, Inc. Consequently, historical references to certain obligations of GSU remain in the license conditions.

5. In addition, the license is amended by changes to Appendix C. to replace Gulf States Utilities Company (GSU) with Entergy Gulf States, Inc.
6. The license amendment is effective as of its date of issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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Attachment: Changes to the License and Appendix C.

Date of Issuance: July 30, 1996

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 88

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-47

DOCKET NO. 50-458

Replace the following pages of the Facility Operating License and Appendix C with the attached pages. The revised pages are identified by Amendment number and contain marginal lines indicating the areas of change.

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Facility Operating License, pages:

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RIVER BEND STATION, UNIT 1

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

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1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission or the NRC) has found that:
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 - B. Construction of the River Bend Station, Unit 1 (the facility) has been substantially completed in conformity with Construction Permit No. CPPR-145 and the application, as amended, the provisions of the Act and the regulations of the Commission;
 - C. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, as amended, the provisions of the Act, and the regulations of the Commission;
 - D. There is reasonable assurance: (i) that the activities authorized by this operating license 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 set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - E. Entergy Operations, Inc.* (EOI) is technically qualified to engage in the activities authorized by this operating license in accordance with the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;

* EOI is authorized to act as agent for Entergy Gulf States, Inc., which has been authorized to act as agent for Cajun Electric Power Cooperative, and has exclusive responsibility and control over the physical construction, operation and maintenance of the facility.

**Entergy Gulf States, Inc., which owns a 70 percent undivided interest in River Bend, has merged with a wholly owned subsidiary of Entergy Corporation. Entergy Gulf States, Inc. was the surviving company in the merger.

- F. Entergy Gulf States, Inc., Cajun Electric Power Cooperative, and EOI have satisfied the applicable provisions of 10 CFR Part 140, "Financial Protection Requirements and Indemnity Agreements," of the Commission's regulations;
 - G. The issuance of this license will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public;
 - H. After weighing the environmental, economic, technical, and other benefits of the facility against environmental and other costs and considering available alternatives, the issuance of Facility Operating License No. NPF-47, subject to the conditions for protection of the environment set forth herein, is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied; and
 - I. The receipt, possession, and use of source, byproduct and special nuclear material as authorized by this license will be in accordance with the Commission's regulations in 10 CFR Parts 30, 40 and 70.
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 - B. Subject to the conditions and requirements incorporated herein, the Commission hereby licenses:
 - (1) Entergy Gulf States, Inc. and Cajun Electric Power Cooperative to possess the facility at the designated location in West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana, in accordance with the procedures and limitations set forth in this license;
 - (2) EOI, pursuant to Section 103 of the Act and 10 CFR Part 50, to possess, use and operate the facility at the above designated location in accordance with the procedures and limitations set forth in this license;

(3) Antitrust Conditions

- a. Entergy Gulf States, Inc. shall comply with the antitrust conditions in Appendix C, attached hereto, which is hereby incorporated in this license.
- b. EOI shall not market or broker power or energy from River Bend Station, Unit 1. Entergy Gulf States, Inc. is responsible and accountable for the actions of its agent, EOI, to the extent said agent's actions affect the marketing or brokering of power or energy from River Bend Station, Unit 1 and, in any way, contravene the antitrust conditions of this paragraph or Appendix C of this license.

(4) Seismic and Dynamic Qualification of Seismic Category 1 Mechanical and Electrical Equipment (Section 3.10. SER and SSER 3)

EOI shall complete the requirements of the seismic and dynamic qualification of mechanical and electrical equipment as specified in Attachment 2. Attachment 2 is hereby incorporated into this license.

(5) Mark III Related Issues (Section 6.2.1.9. SER and SSER 2)

- a. EOI shall not use the residual heat removal system in the steam condensing mode without prior written approval of the staff.
- b. Prior to startup following the first refueling outage, GSU* shall furnish the outstanding information identified in Appendix K of SSER 2 addressing the Mark III containment related issues.

(6) Inservice Inspection Program (Section 5.2.4.3 and 6.6.3. SER and SSER 3)

GSU shall submit the inservice inspection program for NRC staff review and approval by September 1, 1986.

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(13) Partial Feedwater Heating (Section 15.1. SER)

The facility shall not be operated with partial feedwater heating beyond the end of the normal fuel cycle without prior written approval of the staff. During the normal fuel cycle, the facility shall not be operated with a feedwater heating capacity which would result in a rated thermal power feedwater temperature less than 320°F without prior written approval of the staff.

(14) Emergency Response Capabilities (Generic Letter 82-33. Supplement 1 to NUREG-0737. Section 7.5.2.4. SER and SSER 3. Section 18. SER. SSER 2 and SSER 3)

EOI shall complete the requirements of NUREG-0737 Supplement #1 as specified in Attachment 5. Attachment 5 is hereby incorporated into this license.

(15) Salem ATWS Event. Generic Letter 83-28 (Section 7.2.2.5. SSER 3)

EOI shall submit responses to and implement the requirements of Generic Letter 83-28 on a schedule which is consistent with that given in its letters dated August 3, 1984 and May 20, 1985.

(16) Merger Related Reports

Entergy Gulf States, Inc. shall inform the Director, NRR:

- a. Sixty days prior to a transfer (excluding grants of security interests or liens) from Entergy Gulf States, Inc. to Entergy or any other entity of facilities for the production, transmission or distribution of electric energy having a depreciated book value exceeding one percent (1%) of Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s consolidated net utility plant, as recorded on Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s books of account.
- b. Of an award of damages in litigation initiated against Entergy Gulf States, Inc. by Cajun Electric Power Cooperative regarding River Bend within 30 days of the award.

(17) Primary containment air lock doors may be open during CORE ALTERATIONS, except when moving recently irradiated fuel, (i.e., fuel that has occupied part of a critical reactor core within the previous 11 days), provided the following conditions exist:

- 1) One door in each air lock is capable of being closed.
- 2) Hoses and cables running through the air lock employ a means to allow safe, quick disconnect and are tagged at both ends with specific instructions to expedite removal.
- 3) There is a minimum of 23 feet of water over the core.
- 4) The air lock doors are not blocked open to allow expeditious closure.



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APPENDIX C

ANTITRUST CONDITIONS
FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-47

Entergy Gulf States, Inc. is subject to the following antitrust conditions: |

(1) Definitions

- (1)(a) "Bulk Power" means the electric power, and any attendant energy, supplied or made available at transmission or subtransmission voltage by an entity from its generating facilities.
- (1)(b) "Entity" means person, a private or public corporation, governmental agency, an association, a joint stock association, business trust, municipality, or rural electric cooperative owning, operating, or proposing to own or operate equipment facilities for the generation, transmission, or distribution of electricity primarily for sale or resale to the public. Provided, that, except for municipalities, governmental agencies, or rural electric cooperatives, "entity" is further restricted to those which are or will be public utilities under the laws of the State in which the entity transacts or will transact business or under the Federal Power Act, and are or will be providing electric service under a contract or rate schedule on file with and subject to the regulation of a State regulatory commission or the Federal Power Commission.
- (1)(c) "Cost" means all operating and maintenance expenses and ownership and capital costs properly allocable to the particular transaction. "Cost" to be shared by participants under paragraph (9) shall include all costs of acquisition, construction, ownership, capital, operation, and maintenance reasonably allocable to the subject unit. Costs shall include no value for loss of revenues from sale of power at wholesale or retail by one party to a customer which another party might otherwise serve, except as otherwise authorized by any regulatory authority having jurisdiction. Costs shall include a reasonable return on Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s investment. |
- (2) Entergy Gulf States, Inc. shall interconnect with and coordinate reserves by means of the sale and purchase of emergency and/or scheduled maintenance bulk power with any entity(ies) in or within reasonable proximity to Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s service area in Louisiana |
engaging in or proposing to engage in electric bulk power supply on terms |
that will provide for Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s costs in connection |
therewith and allow the other entity(ies) full access to the benefits and |
obligations of reserve coordination.

(3) Such emergency service and/or scheduled maintenance service to be provided by each entity shall be furnished to the fullest extent available from the supplying entity and desired by the entity in need. Entergy Gulf States, Inc. and each entity(ies) shall provide to the other such emergency service and/or scheduled maintenance service if and when available from its own generation and from generation of others to the extent it can do so without impairing service to its customers including other electric systems to whom it has firm commitments.

(4) Entergy Gulf States, Inc. and the other entity(ies) which is (are) party(ies) to a reserve sharing arrangement shall from time to time jointly establish the minimum reserves to be installed and/or provided as necessary to maintain in total a reserve margin sufficient to provide adequate reliability of power supply to the interconnected systems of the parties, consistent with good utility industry practice in the region. If Entergy Gulf States, Inc. plans its reserve margin on a pooled basis with other regional companies, the reserves jointly established hereunder shall be on the same basis. Unless otherwise agreed upon or established by such regional practice, minimum reserves shall be calculated as a percentage of estimated peak-load responsibility.

No party to the arrangement shall be required to maintain greater reserves than the percentage of its estimated peak-load responsibility which results from the aforesaid calculation; provided that if the reserve requirements of Entergy Gulf States, Inc. are increased over the amount Entergy Gulf States, Inc. would be required to maintain without such interconnection, then the other party(ies) shall be required to carry or provide for as its (their) reserves the full amount in kilowatts of such increase.

(5) The entities which are parties to such a reserve sharing agreement shall provide such amounts of ready reserve capacity as may be adequate to avoid the imposition of unreasonable demands on the others in meeting the normal contingencies of operating its system. However, in no circumstances shall the ready reserve requirement exceed the installed reserve requirement.

(6) Interconnections will not be limited to low voltages when higher voltages are available from Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s installed facilities in the area where interconnection is desired, when the proposed arrangement is found to be technically and economically feasible. Control and telemetering facilities shall be provided as required for safe and prudent operation of the interconnected system.

(7) Interconnection and coordination agreements shall not embody any unlawful or unreasonably restrictive provisions pertaining to intersystem coordination. Good industry practice as developed in the area from time to time (if not unlawfully or unreasonably restrictive) will satisfy this provision.

- (8) Entergy Gulf States, Inc. will sell (when available) bulk power at its costs to or purchase (when needed) bulk power from any other entity(ies) in or within reasonable proximity to Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s service area in Louisiana engaging in or proposing to engage in generation of electric power at such entity(ies) cost when such transactions would serve to reduce the overall costs of new such bulk power supply, each for itself and for the other party(ies) to the transactions and would serve to coordinate the planning of new generation, transmission, and related facilities by both Entergy Gulf States, Inc. and the other entity. This provision shall not be construed to require Entergy Gulf States, Inc. to purchase or sell bulk power if it finds such purchase or sale infeasible or its costs in connection with such purchase or sale would exceed its benefits therefrom.
- (9) Entergy Gulf States, Inc. and any successor in title, shall offer an opportunity to participate in River Bend Station, Unit 1 for the term of the instant license, or any extensions or renewals thereof, or such term as Entergy Gulf States, Inc. and the participant(s) may mutually agree upon, to any entity(ies) in or within reasonable proximity to Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s service area in the State of Louisiana which has in writing requested participation therein prior to March 1, 1974, and which no later than March 31, 1975 has entered into an executory contract with respect to such participation, having taken all necessary action for it to lawfully do so prior to so doing, to a fair and reasonable extent and on reasonable terms and conditions and on a basis that fully compensate Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for its costs incurred and to be incurred and that will not adversely affect the financing and constructing of this nuclear unit. Entergy Gulf States, Inc. shall similarly offer an opportunity to participate in any additional nuclear generating unit(s) the power from which is intended for use in Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s general system operations, which Entergy Gulf States, Inc. may construct, own, and operate in Louisiana during the terms of the instant license(s), or any extension(s) or renewal(s), thereof.

Participation shall be either by ownership of or purchase of unit participation power from the respective nuclear units. Participation in any form shall be on an equitable basis whereby the participants, in proportion to their interests, share fully in all costs and risks of the respective nuclear units. In connection with such participation, Entergy Gulf States, Inc. will offer transmission service as may be required for delivery of such power to such participants(s) on a basis that will fully compensate Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for its costs.

- (10) Entergy Gulf States, Inc. shall facilitate the exchange of bulk power by transmission over its transmission facilities between two or more entities engaging in bulk power supply in its service area in Louisiana with which it is interconnected; and between any such entity(ies) and any entity(ies) engaging in bulk power supply outside Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s service area in Louisiana between whose facilities Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s transmission lines and other transmission lines would form

a continuous electrical path; provided that (i) permission to utilize such other transmission lines has been obtained by the entities involved; (ii) Entergy Gulf States, Inc. has appropriate agreements for transmission service with the entities interconnected with Entergy Gulf States, Inc. at both the receiving and delivery points on Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s system; and (iii) the arrangements reasonably can be accommodated from a functional and technical standpoint. Such transmission shall be on terms that fully compensate Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for its cost. Any entity(ies) requesting such transmission arrangements shall give reasonable advance notice of its (their) schedule and requirements. (The foregoing applies to any entity(ies) engaging in bulk power supply to which Entergy Gulf States, Inc. may be interconnected in the future as well as those to which it is now interconnected.)

- (11) Entergy Gulf States, Inc. shall include in its planning and construction program sufficient transmission capacity as required for the transactions referred to in paragraph (10); provided, that any entity(ies) in its service area in Louisiana gives Entergy Gulf States, Inc. sufficient advance notice as may be necessary to accommodate its (their) requirements from a functional and technical standpoint and that such entity(ies) fully compensate Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for its cost. Entergy Gulf States, Inc. shall not be required to construct transmission facilities which will be of no demonstrable present or future benefit to Entergy Gulf States, Inc.
- (12) Entergy Gulf States, Inc. will sell power (when available) for resale to any entity(ies) in its service area in Louisiana now engaging in or proposing in good faith to engage in retail distribution of electric power, whenever power to meet the needs of such entity(ies) is not available from alternate sources at competitive costs.
- (13) The foregoing conditions shall be in all respects implemented on reasonable terms and conditions in a manner consistent with the provisions of the Federal Power Act and other applicable Federal and State laws and regulatory orders, and shall be subject to force majeure, applicable curtailment programs, and engineering and technical feasibility for Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s system. None of the foregoing conditions shall require Entergy Gulf States, Inc. to sell power, perform any service, or engage in any course of action on a basis which would be unlawfully preferential or discriminatory under any applicable law or that would impair Entergy Gulf States, Inc.'s ability to render adequate and reliable service to its own customers. All rates, charges or practices in connection therewith are to be subject to the approval of regulatory agencies having jurisdiction over them.



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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION
RELATED TO AMENDMENT NO. 88 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-47

ENERGY OPERATIONS, INC.

RIVER BEND STATION, UNIT 1

DOCKET NO. 50-458

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By application dated May 20, 1996, Entergy Operations, Inc. (the licensee) requested changes to the Facility Operating License No. NPF-47 and Appendix C for the River Bend Station, Unit 1 (RBS). The proposed changes would revise the name of Gulf States Utilities Company (GSU) to reflect the new name, Entergy Gulf States, Inc.

2.0 BACKGROUND

In the May 20, 1996 letter, the licensee makes the following statement:

"The corporate existence continues uninterrupted and all legal characteristics remain the same. Thus, there is no change in the state of incorporation, registered agent, registered office, directors, officers, rights or liabilities of the company. Nor is there a change in the function of the Company or the way in which it does business. GSU's financial responsibility for RBS and its sources of funds to support the facility will remain the same. Further, this name change does not impact the existing ownership of RBS or the existing entitlement to power and will not alter the existing license conditions applicable to GSU or GSU's ability to comply with these conditions or with any of its other obligations or responsibilities under the license."

The licensee's stated intent is to change the name to improve customer identification by establishing the name "Entergy" for the business in the region served. This name change is being made at the same time that similar changes are proposed for the ownership of the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station, Arkansas Nuclear One, and Waterford Steam Electric Station.

3.0 EVALUATION

For all stated purposes, the name change is for recognition of Entergy in the areas served. The name change should have no effect or impact on the obligations before the Commission and should not change in any way the business of the licensee with the Commission. There should be no change in the safety and security of public from the name change and the antitrust conditions applicable to Gulf States Utilities Company will continue to apply to Entergy Gulf States, Inc. We find the proposed changes to the Facility Operating License No. NPF-47 and to Appendix C to be acceptable.

4.0 STATE CONSULTATION

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

5.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.21, 51.32 and 51.35, an environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact has been prepared and published in the Federal Register on July 29, 1996 (61 FR 39482). Accordingly, based upon the environmental assessment, the staff has determined that the issuance of the amendment will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment.

6.0 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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