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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attn.: Document Control Desk
Washington, DC 20555-0001

SUBJECT: Entergy Operations, Inc.
Use of Mechanical Nozzle Seal Assemblies

Arkansas Nuclear One, Unit 1
Docket No. 50-313
License No. DPR-51

REFERENCE: Letter CNRO-2002-00043 from Entergy Operations, Inc. to the NRC,
"Use of Mechanical Nozzle Seal Assemblies," dated August 5, 2002

Dear Sir or Madam:

In the referenced letter, Entergy Operations, Inc. (Entergy) submitted to the NRC staff a request (ANO1-R&R-002) to use the new design of the Mechanical Nozzle Seal Assembly (MNSA-2) in applications at Arkansas Nuclear One, Unit 1 (ANO-1). Entergy is submitting this follow-up letter in order to clarify the commitments pertaining to the use of the MNSA-2 device at ANO-1. These commitments are as follows:

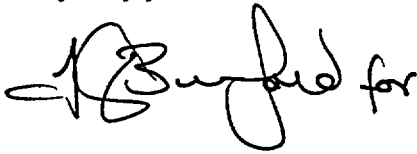
1. *Entergy agrees to visually inspect for leakage the counter-bore/annulus region of each installed MNSA-2 device during each refueling outage. Entergy agrees to perform this visual inspection and also, upon discovering leakage that occurred during the operating cycle, to remove the MNSA-2 and inspect it and the surrounding pressurizer surface for corrosion.*
2. *The use of the MNSA-2 covered by Request ANO2-R&R-002 will be limited to two (2) operating cycles of the current Inservice Inspection (ISI) interval for ANO-1, which ends on May 31, 2007.*
3. *Following NRC staff approval, Entergy will incorporate this alternative into the ANO-1 Inservice Inspection (ISI) Plan.*

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Should you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Guy Davant of my staff at (601) 368-5756.

This letter contains three commitments as denoted in italicized text above.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Guy Davant for". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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