ENCLOSURE 1

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Entergy Operations, Inc.
Grand Gulf Nuclear Station

Docket No.:

50-416

License No.:

NPF-29

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During an NRC inspection conducted on March 3-7, 1997, one violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," NUREG-1600, the violation is listed below:

10 CFR 50.65(a)(1) states, in part, that each holder of an operating license . . . shall monitor the performance or condition of structures, systems, or components against licensee-established goals . . . and that such goals shall be established commensurate with safety.

10 CFR 50.65(a)(2) states, in part, that monitoring under (a)(1) is not required where it has been demonstrated that the performance or condition of structures, systems, or components is being effectively controlled through the performance of appropriate preventive maintenance such that the structures, systems, or components remain capable of performing their intended function. Paragraph (c) states that "[t]he requirements of this section shall be implemented by each licensee no later than July 10, 1996."

Contrary to the above, from July 10, 1996, to March 6, 1997, the licensee failed to monitor the performance of the instrument air system at a level to demonstrate that the availability of the instrument air system was effectively controlled through the performance of appropriate preventive maintenance.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I)(50-416/9701-04).

The NRC has concluded that information regarding the reason for the violation, the corrective actions taken and planned to correct the violation and prevent recurrence and the date when full compliance was achieved is adequately addressed in this report. However, you are required to submit a written statement or explanation pursuant to 10 CFR 2.201 if the description therein does not accurately reflect your corrective actions or your position. In that case, or if you choose to respond, clearly mark your response as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation," and send it to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region IV, 611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 400, Arlington, Texas 76011, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice).

Dated at Arlington, Texas this 8th day of April 1997