

November 7, 2003

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SUBJECT: NOTICE OF RECEIPT AND AVAILABILITY OF APPLICATION FOR EARLY
SITE PERMIT FOR THE GRAND GULF ESP SITE

Dear Mr. Eaton:

On October 21, 2003, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) received the early site permit (ESP) application dated October 16, 2003, from System Energy Resources, Inc., a subsidiary of Entergy Corporation for property co-located with the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station near Port Gibson, Mississippi (the Grand Gulf ESP site). The staff is currently performing an acceptance review for docketing in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.101 and will notify you of the results of that review. A review schedule will be provided at the time the application is determined acceptable for docketing.

We have enclosed for your information, a copy of the notice relating to the ESP application that has been forwarded to the Office of the *Federal Register* for publication. A copy of the application is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland and via the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. The accession number for the application is ML032960315. Future publicly available documents related to the application will also be posted in ADAMS. The application is also available to local residents at the Harriette Person Memorial Library in Port Gibson, Mississippi, and it will be available on the NRC's new reactor licensing web page at <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-licensing/license-reviews/esp.html>.

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The project manager for the review of your ESP application, Stephen Koenick, can be reached at 301-415-1239. The environmental project manager, James Wilson, can be reached at 301-415-1108.

Sincerely,

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