

December 23, 2005

Mr. Gary Taylor
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SUBJECT: WATERFORD STEAM ELECTRIC STATION, UNIT 3 - CONFORMING
LICENSE AMENDMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THE TRANSFER OF THE
FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-38 FROM ENTERGY LOUISIANA,
INC. TO ENTERGY LOUISIANA, LLC (TAC NO. MC7974)

Dear Mr. Taylor:

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The December 2, 2005, Order provides that the conforming license amendment "shall be issued and made effective at the time the proposed transfer is completed." On its face, therefore, issuance of the amendment concurrent with the Order was inconsistent with the explicit language of the Order which noted that the amendment would be issued concurrent with the transfer. Thus, the amendment was issued in error and, accordingly, is null and void *ab initio*.

In accordance with the Order, the conforming amendment will be issued and made effective when the transfer closes. Condition 1 of the Order requires that you notify the NRC in advance of the date of the closing of the transfer. Once it is confirmed that the closing has in fact occurred on such date, the conforming license amendment as approved by the Order will be issued and made effective on that date. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Sincerely,

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R. William Borchardt, Deputy Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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