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SUBJECT: WATERFORD STEAM ELECTRIC STATION, UNIT 3 - CLOSEOUT OF
GENERIC LETTER 2006-01, "STEAM GENERATOR TUBE INTEGRITY AND
ASSOCIATED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS" (TAC NO. MD0120)

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The NRC staff finds the licensee's adoption of new SG TSs modeled after TSTF-449 to be an acceptable and complete response to GL 2006-01. This completes the NRC staff's efforts on TAC No. MD0120. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (301) 415-3062.

Sincerely,

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