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Dear Sir or Madam:

On December 12, 2007, the NRC issued Bulletin 2007-01, Security Officer Inattentiveness, and requested a response within 60 days. Attached is Entergy's response for River Bend Station (RBS) to NRC Bulletin 2007-01 which requested information about security program administrative and managerial controls established to prevent, identify, and correct security personnel inattentiveness, complicity, and failures of individuals to implement the BOP. The attachment to this letter provides the response to the questions included in the bulletin.

Entergy appreciates the staff's recognition that most sites have not had occurrences of the examples cited in the bulletin of inappropriate security conduct or complicity. However, the existence of multiple, overlapping, and complementary reporting, self-reporting, and oversight programs does not and cannot guarantee such human events would never happen in the future. In the post-September 11, 2001, security environment, significant increases in security force membership and deployment to increased numbers of fixed security posts statistically increased the potential and probability for inattentiveness. Due to the fact that the number of occurrences is limited, demonstrates that the required high assurance of adequate protection of public safety is still provided.

Although the increase across the nation in the post-September 11, 2001, environment, when taken holistically, may indicate a negative trend, it presents an opportunity to proactively strengthen administrative and managerial controls in order to minimize the potential for future occurrences. Where problems are identified through industry experience, they are evaluated, and actions are taken to prevent recurrence, not only at the sites where they are discovered, but also proactively at other sites (within a fleet and/or throughout the industry) when they are applicable. Station management remains vigilant to reinforce expectations for

procedural compliance and reporting in order to deter and detect hidden deliberate misconduct and complicity.

Because this response contains security-related information, Entergy requests that the attachment to this letter be withheld from public disclosure in accordance with 10CFR2.390. There are no new commitments contained in this submittal. If you need any additional information, please contact Andre James at 225-381-4158.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the contents of this response are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Executed on February 11, 2008.

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Sincerely,

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