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Re: Indian Point Nuclear
Generating Unit 3
Docket No. 50-286
NL-08-033

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
ATTN: Document Control Desk
Washington, DC 20555-0001

Subject: **Withdrawal of License Amendment Request (LAR) for Indian Point Unit 3 Regarding Low-Low Level Alarm Setpoint Range on the Refueling Water Storage Tank (RWST)**

References:

1. Entergy Letter NL-07-073, "Proposed Change to Indian Point Unit 3 Technical Specifications Regarding Adjustment of the Low-Low Level Alarm Setpoint Range on the Refueling Water Storage Tank (RWST)," dated October 24, 2007.
2. NRC Generic Letter 2004-02, "Potential Impact of Debris Blockage on Emergency Recirculation During Design Basis Accidents at Pressurized-Water Reactors," dated September 13, 2004.

Dear Sir or Madam:

The purpose of this letter is to request the withdrawal of a License Amendment Request (LAR) transmitted via Reference 1.

Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (Entergy) submitted a License Amendment Request, (Reference 1) for a change to the Technical Specifications (TS) for Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No 3 (IP3). Specifically, the LAR requested to change the Refueling Water Storage Tank (RWST) low-low level alarm setpoint range from ≥ 10.5 ft and ≤ 12.5 ft to ≥ 9.0 ft and ≤ 11.0 ft and to change the definition of the RWST "low level alarm" to "low-low level alarm." The purpose of the LAR request was to support resolution of issues associated with NRC Generic Letter 2004-02 (Reference 2) related to ensuring that, subsequent to Loss of Coolant Accident, adequate water was supplied to the containment floor to eliminate the risk of air ingestion via vortexing and/or draw down at the sump strainer modules.

The Reference 1 LAR was submitted as part of Entergy's response to Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Generic Letter 2004-02, (Reference 2). However, Entergy has re-reviewed the calculations used in the IP3 analysis and identified that the calculations contained conservatisms that do not need to be applied.

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The TS change transmitted via Reference 1, would be acceptable if approved, however, the existing values currently contained in the IP3 TS provide operators more time to switch over from injection phase to recirculation phase and are therefore more desirable.

Therefore, the setpoint change is no longer needed based on the review of our current analysis and there is no longer a need for the TS changes sought by the LAR submittal in Reference 1. Entergy is therefore requesting the amendment request for the TS change be withdrawn.

There are no new commitments contained in this letter.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Mr. Robert Walpole, Manager, Licensing at 914-734-6710.

Sincerely,



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