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Subject: Acceptance Review Result - Exemption Request Regarding "10 CFR 26 Subpart I - Managing Fatigue" (TAC No. ME4016)

Subject: Result of the Acceptance Review by the NRC Staff of Waterford 3 Exemption Request Regarding "10 CFR 26 Subpart I - Managing Fatigue" for Situations Related to Hurricane Conditions (TAC No. ME4016).

W. Steelman:

By application dated May 27, 2010 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML101520325), Entergy Operations Inc. (Entergy) requested the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) approval of an exemption request for Waterford 3 to extend the exception currently provided in 10 CFR 26.207(d), which states: "Licensees need not meet the requirements of Sections 26.205(c) and (d) during declared emergencies, as defined in the licensee's emergency plan." Sections 26.205(c) and (d) establish work hour scheduling and duration limits for individuals performing certain types of duties as defined in Section 26.4. Entergy's exemption request proposes to extend the exception provided by 26.207(d) for pre-defined entry and exit conditions related to hurricane events because the sequestering of plant personnel and related staff resource limitations may occur at times prior to and following the current entry and exit conditions (i.e., emergency declaration) specified in 26.207(d).

The purpose of this letter is to provide the results of the NRC staff's acceptance review of this relief request. The acceptance review was performed to determine if there is sufficient technical information in scope and depth to allow the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review. The acceptance review is also intended to identify whether the application has any readily apparent information insufficiencies in its characterization of the regulatory requirements or the licensing basis of the plant.

The NRC staff has reviewed the Licensee's May 27, 2010 submittal, and concluded that the submittal provides technical information in sufficient detail to enable the NRC staff to proceed with a detailed technical review and make an independent assessment regarding the acceptability of the licensee's request in terms of regulatory requirements and the protection of public health and safety and the environment. If additional information is needed for the staff to complete its detailed technical review, you will be advised of it by separate correspondence.

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