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Louisiana Energy Services, LLC  
NRC Docket Number: 70-3103

Subject: Interim Report for Potential 10 CFR 21 Notification

Louisiana Energy Services, LLC (LES) is providing this letter in accordance with 10 CFR 21, which requires submittal of an interim report if an evaluation of an identified deviation or failure to comply cannot be completed within 60 days from discovery. On August 24, 2011 the failure to comply was discovered.

The reporting requirements are detailed in 10 CFR 21.21(a)(2). The Interim Report, (Enclosure) 1, details requirements of the aforementioned CFR.

If you have any questions, please contact Zachary Rad, UUSA Licensing Manager at 575-394-6689.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D E Sexton".

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Enclosures: 1. Interim Report

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**ENCLOSURE 1**

**Interim Report**

Name of individual preparing this report:

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Name of the firm constructing or supplying the basic component which contains the deviation or fails to comply:

Engineered Products Department  
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Description of the deviation or failure to comply which is being evaluated:

Undersized welds were identified on centrifuge T-column to base plate connectors which are still in construction. The welds do not comply with AWS D1.1 and are currently being evaluated for the potential to cause substantial safety hazards. An extent of condition is in progress to identify any further conditions and to provide weld dimensions to the design agent for engineering analysis. This analysis will determine the ability of the steelwork to perform per design requirements.

The date on which the information of suspect deviation defect or failure to comply was obtained:

24 August, 2011

The date on which the evaluation is expected to be complete:

23 November, 2011