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SUBJECT: Entergy's Response to the March 12, 2012, Information Request Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.54(f) Regarding Recommendation 9.3 for Completing Emergency Communication Assessments Arkansas Nuclear One – Units 1 and 2
Docket Nos. 50-313 and 50-368
License Nos. DPR-51 and NPF-6

- REFERENCES:
1. NRC letter to Entergy, *Request for Information Pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations 50.54(f) Regarding Recommendations 2.1, 2.3, and 9.3 of the Near-Term Task Force Review of Insights from the Fukushima Dai-ichi Accident*, dated March 12, 2012 (0CNA031208) (ML12053A340)
 2. Entergy Letter to NRC (0CAN051202), *Entergy's 60-Day Response to the March 12, 2012, Information Request, Action Plan for Completing Emergency Communication and Staffing Assessments*, dated May 11, 2012
 3. Entergy Letter to NRC (0CAN061201), *Entergy's 90-Day Response to the March 12, 2012, Information Request, Action Plan for Completing Emergency Communication and Staffing Assessments*, dated June 8, 2012
 4. Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) 12-01, *Guideline for Assessing Beyond Design Basis Accident Response Staffing and Communications Capabilities*, Revision 0 (May 2012)

Dear Sir or Madam:

On March 12, 2012, the NRC issued a letter (Reference 1) entitled, *Request for Information Pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations 50.54(f) Regarding Recommendations 2.1, 2.3, and 9.3 of the Near-Term Task Force Review of Insights from the Fukushima Dai-ichi Accident*. Enclosure 5 of the letter contained specific

requested actions and requested information associated with Recommendation 9.3 for Emergency Preparedness programs communications. In accordance with 10 CFR 50.54, "Conditions of licenses," paragraph (f), addressees were requested to submit a written response to the information requests within 90 days or provide a response within 60 days of the date of the letter and describe the alternative course of action that it proposes to take.

Entergy Operations, Inc. (Entergy) responded within 60 days (Reference 2) proposing to take the alternative course of action for communications that was described in Attachment 1 of Reference 2. Entergy implemented the first part of this alternate course of action with the submittal of Reference 3 which described interim actions or planned actions to be taken to enhance existing communications systems power supplies until the communications assessment and the resulting actions are complete. This letter completes the alternate course of action by summarizing the results of the communications assessment and the potential enhancements.

The communications assessment was performed using the guidance of NEI 12-01 (Reference 4) and identified enhancements that may be appropriate for the emergency plan with respect to communications requirements of 10 CFR 50.47, Appendix E to 10 CFR 50, and the guidance in NUREG-0696. The current planned enhancements are discussed in Attachment 1. This new regulatory commitment is identified in Attachment 2. This enhancement commitment is subject to change as a result of Diverse and Flexible Coping Strategies developments, advances in technology, and progress in the manner of addressing the need for these enhancements.

Should you have any questions concerning the content of this letter, please contact Stephenie Pyle at 479.858.4704.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on October 31, 2012.

Sincerely,

Original signed by Christopher J. Schwarz

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Attachments: 1. Communications Assessment
2. List of Regulatory Commitments

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