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December 21, 2012

EA-12-198

Donna Jacobs, Site Vice President, Operations Entergy Operations, Inc. Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3 17265 River Road Killona. LA 70057-075

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO WATERFORD STEAM ELECTRIC STATION, UNIT 3, REPLY

TO NOTICE OF VIOLATION EA-12-198 IN NRC BIENNIAL PROBLEM

IDENTIFICATION AND RESOLUTION INSPECTION REPORT

05000382/2012008

Dear Ms. Jacobs:

Thank you for your letter dated December 3, 2012, in response to our November 5, 2012, letter and Notice of Violation 05000382/2012008 (EA 12-198) concerning the failure of plant personnel to establish a design basis to determine the river level at which flood control measures were to be initiated for closing the water tight doors as required in Procedure OP-901-521, "Severe Weather and Flooding." We have reviewed your reply and find it responsive to the concerns raised in our Notice of Violation. We will review the implementation of your corrective actions during a future inspection to determine that full compliance has been achieved and will be maintained.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Ray L. Kellar, P.E., Chief Technical Support Branch Division of Reactor Safety

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