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August 17, 2018

Mr. John C. Dinelli Site Vice President Entergy Operations, Inc. Waterford 3 17265 River Road Killona, LA 70057-3093

SUBJECT: STATUS UPDATE AND SCHEDULE REVISION FOR THE REVIEW OF THE

WATERFORD STEAM ELECTRIC STATION, UNIT 3, LICENSE RENEWAL

APPLICATION (CAC NOS. MF7492 AND MF7493)

Dear Mr. Dinelli:

By letter dated March 23, 2016 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Package Accession No. ML16088A324), Entergy Operations, Inc. submitted an application pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 54, to renew the operating license NPF-38 for Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3 (Waterford), for review by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the staff).

The staff's review of the RAPTOR-M3G code used for license renewal time-limited aging analyses (e.g., reactor vessel fluence calculations) resulted in a 10 CFR 50.59 violation as documented in Inspection Report 05000382/2017010 (ADAMS Accession No. ML17219A723). Resolution of this issue was addressed via a license amendment that was issued on July 23, 2018 (ADAMS Accession No. ML18180A298), in accordance with 10 CFR Part 50 (ADAMS Accession No. ML17332A898) in a timeframe earlier than was initially projected. The license renewal safety review schedule was tied to resolution of the code issue. As a result of the earlier than anticipated resolution of the code issue, the staff has revised the license renewal safety review schedule milestones for the safety evaluation report (SER), the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) subcommittee meeting, the final SER, and the ACRS full committee meeting. In addition, the environmental review milestones have been revised due to unanticipated resource constraints and competing priorities. Your staff was informed of the revised schedule and delays throughout the license renewal application (LRA) review. Enclosed is a revised schedule for the review of the Waterford LRA.

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If you have any questions on the revised schedule related to the safety review (10 CFR Part 54), please contact Ms. Phyllis Clark, Project Manager, by telephone at 301-415-6447 or via email at Phyllis.Clark@nrc.gov. If you have any questions on the schedule related to the environmental review (10 CFR Part 51), please contact Ms. Elaine Keegan, Senior Project Manager, by telephone at 301-415-8517 or via email at Elaine.Keegan@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

/RA/

George A. Wilson, Jr., Director Division of Materials and License Renewal Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-382

Enclosure:

Revised Schedule

cc w/encl: Listserv

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WATERFORD STEAM ELECTRIC STATION, UNIT 3 LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION REVISION OF SCHEDULE

Milestones	Schedule Date	Actual Date
Receive license renewal application (LRA)	03/23/16	03/30/16
Publish Federal Register Notice (FRN) – LRA availability	04/2016	04/14/16
Publish FRN – acceptance/rejection and opportunity for hearing	05/2016	05/31/16
Publish FRN – environmental scoping meeting	05/2016	06/06/16
Public Meeting – License Renewal Overview and Environmental Scoping Meeting	06/2016	06/08/16
Audit – Scoping & Screening Methodology	06/13/16	06/13/16
Deadline for filing hearing requests and petitions for intervention (60 days)	07/2016	08/01/16
Environmental scoping period ends	07/2016	08/01/16
Audit – Environmental	07/18/16	07/18/16
Audit – Aging Management Programs (Week 1)	07/11/16	07/11/16
Audit – Aging Management Programs (Week 2)	07/25/16	07/25/16
Regional Inspection – IP 71002, "License Renewal Inspection"	01/23/17 & 02/06/17	2/16/17
Issue draft supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS)	08/2018	
End of draft SEIS comment period	10/2018	
Issue safety evaluation report (SER)	08/2018	
Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) Subcommittee meeting	09/2018	
Issue final SEIS	11/2018	
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency FRN Published- availability of final SEIS	11/2018	
Issue final SER	11/2018	
ACRS full committee meeting	11/2018	
Decision – Director, NRR	12/2018	