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In the Matter of
Louisiana Power and Light Company
(Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3)
Docket No. 50-382

Gentlemen:

By copies of a letter from Frank J. Maraglia of the NRC's Division of Licensing to L. V. Maurin, Assistant Vice President of Nuclear Operations for Louisiana Power and Light Company, dated July 9, 1981, copies of the NRC Staff's Safety Evaluation Report Related to the Operation of the Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3, NUREG-0787 (SER) were forwarded to all parties in the referenced proceeding.

The SER issued on July 9 addresses, among other things, the financial qualifications of the Applicant to operate the Waterford 3 facility. Pursuant to a stipulation entered by the Joint Intervenors, the Applicant and the Staff and accepted by the Licensing Board in its unpublished Order of September 12, 1979 (Order at p.2), Joint Intervenors may present for consideration by the Board new contentions concerning the Applicant's financial qualifications to operate Waterford 3 within 30 days of issuance of the SER. In addition, pursuant to a stipulated discovery schedule transmitted to the Licensing Board

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by the Staff on September 25, 1979, discovery requests with respect to new information in the SER relevant to admitted contentions are to be submitted within 30 days of issuance of the SER.

Sincerely,

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