OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

<u>Licensee</u>: Entergy Operations, Inc. (EA 94-010)

(River Bend Station) Docket No. 50-458

Subject:

PROPOSED IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTY - \$100,000

This is to inform the Commission that a Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty in the amount of \$100,000 will be issued on or about April 11, 1994 to Entergy Operations, Inc. (River Bend Station). This action is based on the deficiencies identified by the licensee and further NRC review which concluded that the licensee was not in compliance with certain fire protection requirements specified in Appendix R, involving the protection of electrical circuits for systems needed for plant safe shutdown. The licensee identified several occurrences where, contrary to the requirements of the license and the approved fire protection analysis, required fire protection features were not provided for equipment and components identified in the fire hazards analysis as important to safe shutdown such that some safety-related equipment necessary to achieve and maintain hot shutdown might not have been available in the event of a main control room fire. The resulting violation has been categorized at Severity Level III. The escalation and mitigation factors were considered as follows: 50% mitigation for licensee identification, 50% mitigation for licensee's corrective action, 100% escalation for poor past licensee performance, 100% escalation for a combination of duration of the deficiencies and the prior opportunity to identify. A civil penalty of \$100,000 has been proposed.

It should be noted that the licensee has not been specifically informed of the enforcement action. The schedule of issuance and notification is:

> Mailing of Notice Telephone Notification of Licensee

April 11, 1994 April 11, 1994

The State of Louisiana will be notified.

The licensee has thirty days from the date of the Notice in which to respond. Following NRC evaluation of the response, the civil penalty may be remitted. mitigated, or imposed by Order.

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