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Entergy Operations, Inc. ATTN: C. R. Hutchinson, Vice President Operations - Grand Gulf Entergy Operations, Inc. P. O. Box 756 Port Gibson, MS 39150

Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF ENFORCEMENT DISCRETION FOR GRAND GULF UNIT 1

By letter dated March 4, 1994, you referred to your request for the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to exercise discretion not to enforce compliance with the requirements of Technical Specification 3.7.1.1 Action a.1, Technical Specification 3.8.1.1 Action d, Surveillance Requirement 4.3.9.2a, and Surveillance Requirement 4.1.3.1.2a because of a high vibration problem with the B Standby Service Water pump. The Technical Specification Actions require that the inoperable Standby Service Water (SSW) subsystem be restored to Operable status within 72 hours or that the unit be in at least Hot Shutdown within the next 12 hours and Cold Shutdown within the following 24 hours. This discretion would permit continued operation at full power with the SSW 8 pump inoperable for up to 7 days while the pump was being repaired. Discretion was also requested to extend the Action Requirement of Technical Specification 3.8.1.1 Action d to 7 day while the SSW B pump is being repaired. Discretion was also requested to delay the Surveillance Requirements for the Turbine Overspeed Protection System and the Control Rod System until midnight March 11, 1994, in order not to perturb these systems while the SSW B Pump was inoperable.

As compensatory measures you proposed to increase plant staffing, including management, to monitor plant performance, to suspend voluntary maintenance activities, to request the load dispatcher to suspend any work that could affect the stability of the offsite power sources, and to defer any surveillances that could perturb the electrical system or take any emergency equipment out of service or cause a plant transient. In addition, we understand that the Plant Safety Review Committee has approved this request, that three offsite power sources are available and shift operations personnel Division 2 loads.

Based on our review of your justification, including the compensatory measures identified above and in your letter, we conclude that this course of action involves minimum safety impact, and we are satisfied that this exercise of discretion is warranted from a public health and safety perspective. Therefore, we will not enforce compliance with T.S. 3.7.1.1 and 3.8.1.1 until

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