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Docket Nos. 50-313/91-06
50-368/91-06
License Nos. DPR-51
NPF-6

Entergy Operations, Inc.
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION (NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-313/91-06;
50-368/91-06)

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. L. D. Gilbert of this office during the period February 25 through March 1E, 1991, of activities authorized by NRC Operating Licenses DPR-51 and NPF-6 for the Arkansas Nuclear One facility, and to the discussion of our findings with you and members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation of activities in progress.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation. We are particularly concerned about this violation because neither craft nor Quality Control (QA) personnel involved questioned the piping flaws that were obvious during fabrication. This finding, when considered in conjunction with the piping defect that was identified by a craft welder in 1990, suggests that additional attention may be warranted with respect to the scope and performance of QC surveillance activities.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

The response directed by this letter and the enclosed Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, Pub. L. No. 96.511.

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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

Samuel J. Collins

Samuel J. Collins, Director
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Enclosures:

1. Appendix A - Notice of Violation
2. Appendix B - NRC Inspection Report
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