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Docket: 50-382

Mr. James M. Cain, President and Chief
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Dear Mr. Cain:

SUBJECT: SYSTEMATIC ASSESSMENT OF LICENSEE PERFORMANCE

As you are aware, the NRC conducts a periodic systematic assessment of the performance of each power reactor licensee. This is referred to as the SALP program and you have received such assessments from us in prior years.

We judge this program, which entails commitment of considerable staff resources, to be effective both in directing utility management's attention to weaknesses in company operations and in helping the NRC to plan its inspection activities and to allocate its resources. However, in light of the considerable attention already devoted in recent months by the NRC to evaluating the plant and the company, we have decided to omit the currently scheduled SALP.

The next SALP assessment interval for Waterford Unit 3 commenced on December 18, 1984, with the issuance of the operating license to Louisiana Power and Light Company.

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