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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attn: Document Control Desk
Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: Waterford 3 SES
Docket No. 50-382
License No. NPF-38
Withdrawal of January 22, 1999 Letter Providing Additional
Information Regarding License Amendment No. 144

Re: 1. Letter from Mr. Chandu P. Patel, Project Manager, to Mr.
Charles M. Dugger, Vice President, Operations, (License
Amendment No. 144), dated July 10, 1998.
2. Letter W3F1-99-0010, dated January 22, 1999.

Gentlemen:

The purpose of this letter is for Entergy to propose final resolution to the issue of reracking the spent fuel pool at Waterford 3. This issue is associated with License Amendment No. 144, issued to Entergy by the NRC Staff in a letter dated July 10, 1998 (Reference 1).

In a letter dated January 22, 1999 (Reference 2), Entergy provided additional information to the NRC Staff related to License Amendment No. 144. In this letter, Entergy submitted a description and analysis of a more conservative scenario for spent fuel pool cooling under single active failure conditions (involving the failure of an electrical bus). Based on subsequent discussions with the NRC Staff, Entergy has decided to withdraw the January 22, 1999 letter and retain the current Waterford 3 licensing basis definition for spent fuel pool cooling which assumes the single failure of the loss of one spent fuel pool cooling pump.

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There are no commitments contained in this letter. Should you have any questions,
please contact Everett Perkins at (504) 739-6379.

Very truly yours,

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