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Joseph J. Hagan, Vice President Operations - Grand Gulf Nuclear Station Entergy Operations, Inc. P.O. Box 756 Port Gibson, Mississippi 39150

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-416/97-12 AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Hagan:

An NRC inspection was conducted June 22 through August 2, 1997, at your Grand Gulf Nuclear Station reactor facility. The enclosed report presents the scope and results of that inspection.

During the 6-week period covered by this inspection report, your conduct of activities at the Grand Gulf facility was generally characterized by safety-conscious operations, sound engineering and maintenance practices, and careful radiological work controls. One violation of NRC requirements was identified. The violation involved the failure to ensure that a procedurally required engineering evaluation was performed before allowing an extension ladder to be supported by a safety-related cable tray in containment.

The violation is cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice) and the circumstances surrounding this violation are described in detail in the enclosed report. Please note that you are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. The NRC will use your response, in part, to determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, its enclosures, and your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR). To the extent possible, your response should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction.

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

Sincerely,

Thomas P. Gwynn, Director

Division of Reactor Projects

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## Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation

2. NRC Inspection Report 50-416/97-12

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