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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Mail Station P1-137 Washington, D.C. 20555

Attention: Document Control Desk

Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: Grand Gulf Nuclear Station Unit 2 Docket No. 50-417 Construction Permit No. CPPR-119 EOI Amendment Application AECM-89/2-0004

On August 15, 1989, System Energy Resources, Inc. (System Energy), Arkansas Power and Light Company (AP&L), and Louisiana Power and Light Company (LP&L) submitted to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission proposed license amendments to designate Entergy Operations, Inc. (EOI) as the licensed operator for Grand Gulf Nuclear Station (Grand Gulf) Unit 1, Arkansas Nuclear One (ANO) Units 1 and 2, and Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3 (Waterford 3), respectively. The proposed amendments are intended to establish a new company, to be called EOI, as the system-wide nuclear operating company. In order to complete the proposed consolidation, System Energy herein submits a similar proposed amendment to the construction permit for Grand Gulf Unit 2 to designate EOI as the entity licensed to possess and construct Unit 2.

AP&L, LP&L, and System Energy are, and EOI will be, wholly-owned subsidiaries of Entergy Corporation (Entergy), formerly known as Middle South Utilities, Inc. In a letter dated July 1, 1988, System Energy notified the NRC of Entergy's plan for System Energy to assume management and operating responsibility for all of Entergy's nuclear power plants, including Grand Gulf Unit 1 and Unit 2. Entergy now plans for EOI, rather than System Energy as originally proposed, to become responsible for managing Grand Gulf Unit 2. System Energy and South Mississippi Electric Power Association (SMEPA) will retain their present ownership of the unit, and System Energy and Mississippi Power & Light Company (MP&L) will remain subject to the antitrust conditions imposed by the construction permit.

As with its activities with respect to the operating units in the Middle South Electric System, EOI's authorities and responsibilities for Grand Gulf Unit 2 will be established by an Uperating Agreement between System Energy and EOI. System Energy will execute the Operating Agreement for itself and as agent for SMEPA. Drafts of the proposed Operating Agreement are scheduled to be submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in September 1989 as part of the application of System Energy, AP&L, and LP&L for approval of the

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proposed consolidation. A copy of the formal submittal to the SEC will be submitted to the NRC for review contemporaneously with the SEC filing.

In accordance with the provisions of 10CFR50.4, the signed original of the amendment application is enclosed and the appropriate copies will be distributed. The application provides the background and technical justification to support the requested construction permit amendment.

Yours truly,

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WTC:tkm Attachments: 1. Affirmation per 10CFR50.30 2. GGNS Unit 2 Construction Permit Amendment

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BEFORE THE

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

CPPR-119

DOCKET NO. 50-417

IN THE MATTER OF

MISSISSIPPI POWER & LIGHT COMPANY and SYSTEM ENERGY RESOURCES, INC. and SOUTH MISSISSIPPI ELECTRIC POWER ASSOCIATION

AFFIRMATION

I, W. T. Cottle, being duly sworn, state that I am Vice President, Nuclear Operations of System Energy Resources, Inc.; that on behalf of System Energy Resources, Inc., and South Mississippi Electric Power Association I am authorized by System Energy Resources, Inc. to sign and file with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, this application for amendment of the Construction Permit for Unit 2 of the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station; that I signed this application as Vice President, Nuclear Operations of System Energy Resources, Inc.; and that the statements made and the matters set forth therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF CLAIBORNE

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me, a Notary Public, in and for the County and State above named, this 21 day of ______, 1989.

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My commission expires:

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