



**UNITED STATES
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November 30, 2021

EA-21-017
EA-21-030
EA-21-050

Mr. Kent Scott, Site Vice President
Attention: Regulatory Affairs
Entergy Operations, Inc.
River Bend Station
5485 U.S. Highway 61N
St. Francisville, LA 70775

SUBJECT: RIVER BEND STATION – ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF VIOLATION AND NRC INSPECTION REPORT 05000458/2021091 AND INVESTIGATION REPORTS 4-2020-008, 4-2020-009, AND 4-2020-019

Dear Mr. Scott:

This letter acknowledges your letter to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission dated October 29, 2021 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML21302A020), which provided a response to the Notice of Violation that was issued in NRC Inspection Report 05000458/2021091 and Investigation Reports 4-2020-008, 4-2020-009, and 4-2020-019, dated September 30, 2021 (ADAMS Accession No. ML21272A215). This Notice of Violation included violations involving deliberate misconduct associated with the failure to: (A) control critical digital asset access keys, (B) ensure a tour of all required non-licensed operator watchstation areas was completed, and (C) ensure that training examinations were appropriately proctored.

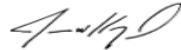
We have reviewed your response and find that it meets the requirements of 10 CFR 2.201. We will review the effectiveness of your corrective actions during a future inspection to determine whether full compliance has been achieved and maintained. From September 30, 2020, to September 30, 2021, the NRC issued three Severity Level III traditional enforcement violations associated with willfulness, which are the three violations referenced above. The Regional Administrator has authorized additional non-baseline inspection using Inspection Procedure 92722, "Follow Up Inspection for Any Severity Level I or II Traditional Enforcement Violation or for Two or More Severity Level III Traditional Enforcement Violations in a 12-Month Period," to review your actions to address these violations due to the range of requirements involved in the willful violations. This inspection will be scheduled when you notify the NRC of your readiness.

K. Scott

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Sincerely,



Signed by Kozal, Jason
on 11/30/21

Jason W. Kozal, Chief
Reactor Project Branch C
Division of Reactor Projects

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