Mr. C. Randy Hutchinson Vice President, Operations ANO Entergy Operations, Inc. 1448 S. R. 333 Russellville, AR 72801

SUBJECT:

ARKANSAS NUCLEAR ONE, UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2 RE: CLOSEOUT OF GENERIC LETTER 97-06, "DEGRADATION OF STEAM GENERATOR INTERNALS" (TAC NOS. MA0893 AND MA0894)

Dear Mr. Hutchinson:

On December 31, 1997, the staff issued Generic Letter (GL) 97-06, "Degradation of Steam Generator Internals." The purpose of GL 97-06 was to obtain information that would enable the staff to verify that the condition of the licensees' steam generator internals comply with and conform to the current licensing basis for the respective facilities. The Materials and Chemical Engineering staff has completed its review of the licensees' responses to this generic letter.

By letter dated March 30, 1998 (0CAN039808), you responded to GL 97-06. The staff's review of your response to the GL did not identify any new concerns with the condition of the steam generator internals. The staff did not identify any concerns with the inspection practices employed at your facility to detect degradation of steam generator internals. The staff, therefore, concludes that your response to the generic letter provides reasonable assurance that the condition of your steam generator internals are in compliance with the current licensing basis for your facility.

The detailed technical basis that supports the staff's determination for all facilities will be published in a NUREG report. The expected publication date is December 1999. This completes the staff's effort on TAC Nos. MA0893 and MA0894. The staff appreciates your efforts in regard to this matter.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Chris Nolan at 301-415-1320.

Sincerely,
ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
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