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SUBJECT: Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3
Docket No. 50-382
Supplement to 30 Day Response To NRC Bulletin 2001-01 For
Waterford 3; Circumferential Cracking of VHP Nozzles

REFERENCES: W3F1-2001-0081, 30 Day Response To NRC Bulletin 2001-01 For
Waterford 3; Circumferential Cracking of VHP Nozzles, September
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Dear Sir or Madam:

In the referenced letter, Entergy Operations, Inc. (Entergy) committed to "...perform an effective visual examination of essentially 100% of the outer bare metal surface of the vessel head penetrations for evidence of leakage during the next scheduled refueling outage" at Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3. During a conference call held between the NRC staff and Entergy personnel on October 22, 2001, the staff requested that the phrase "essentially 100%" be clarified and provided their interpretation of the phrase.

Entergy concurs with the staff's interpretation that "essentially 100%" as used in the referenced letter means "essentially 360 degrees around 100% of the vessel head penetrations."

This letter contains no new commitments.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact D. Bryan Miller at 504-739-6692.


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This letter is submitted pursuant to 10 CFR 50.54(f) and contains information responding to NRC Bulletin 2001-01, "Circumferential Cracking of Reactor Pressure Vessel Head Penetration Nozzles," for Waterford 3.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on November 8, 2001.

Sincerely,



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