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SUBJECT: Entergy Operations, Inc. – Request for an Extension of Time to Submit an Answer and Request for Hearing

River Bend Station
Docket No. 50-458
License No. NPF-47

Grand Gulf Nuclear Station
Docket No. 50-416
License No. NPF-29

Arkansas Nuclear One
Units 1 & 2
Docket Nos. 50-313 & 50-368
License Nos. DPR-51 & NPF-6

Waterford 3 Steam Electric Station
Docket No. 50-382
License No. NPF-38

REFERENCE: Letters to Gary J. Taylor from Samuel J. Collins dated February 25, 2002
Issuance of Order for Interim Safeguards and Security Compensatory Measures (CNRI-2002-00002, CNRI-2002-00003, CNRI-2002-00004, CNRI-2002-00005)

Dear Sir:

Section IV of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's ("NRC") February 25, 2002 Order Modifying Licenses ("Order") states that, in accordance with 10 C.F.R. § 2.202, a Licensee must submit an answer to the Order and may request an extension of time in which to submit an answer or to request a hearing on the Order within 20 days of the date of the Order. In addition, the Order states, "[w]here good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the time to request a hearing."

For the following reasons, Entergy Operations, Inc. ("Entergy"), hereby requests an extension of time to supplement the Answer to the Order submitted March 15, 2002 and to request a hearing.

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As required by Condition C.1. of the Order, Entergy's response identifies specific actions to be taken to comply with each applicable requirement and provides a schedule for implementation. We have responded to Conditions B.1. and B.2. by identifying requirements with which compliance is unnecessary in Entergy's specific circumstances.

In a few instances, as detailed in our March 15, 2002 submittals to the NRC, we are unable to complete the necessary evaluations to determine what actions are appropriate and what an appropriate schedule for implementation would be within the required response time. Because we will be unable to ascertain the appropriate actions in the context of meeting the NRC's intent for these measures, we will be unable to determine whether it is necessary to request a hearing until we have completed the analyses and/or actions with respect to those matters.

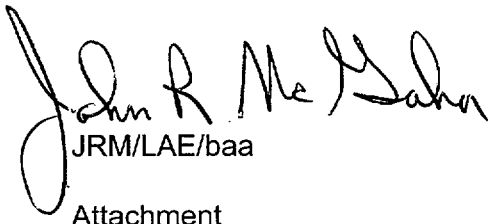
Because of the unique nature of the situation that precipitated issuance of the Order, pursuant to Section IV of the Order, Entergy requests (1) an extension of time to file an answer for Interim Compensatory Measures **B.2.a.(1)**, **B.2.a.(2)** and **B.2.b.** until June 14, 2002 and (2) that a comparable extension of time to file a request for hearing be granted for those matters.

Good cause exists for this request. Several complex analyses are being performed related to these measures. Until these analyses required to respond to the Order are complete, Entergy cannot know if it is able to comply with the Order in these respects, if compliance is necessary in the circumstances, or if compliance would cause Entergy to be in violation of NRC regulations or a facility license. Accordingly, Entergy cannot know at this time how its interests will be affected by the Order and cannot determine at this time whether a request for a hearing would be appropriate. Thus, as noted above, Entergy requests an extension of time to file an answer to certain Interim Compensatory Measures, and similarly requests an extension of time for requesting a hearing on that portion of the Order that relates to these certain Interim Compensatory Measures.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me.

This letter includes new commitments as summarized in Attachment 1.

Sincerely,



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Attachment

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Attachment 1

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List of Regulatory Commitments

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The following table identifies those actions committed to by Entergy in this document. Any other statements in this submittal are provided for information purposes and are not considered to be regulatory commitments.

COMMITMENT	TYPE (Check one)		SCHEDULED COMPLETION DATE (If Required)
	ONE- TIME ACTION	CONTINUING COMPLIANCE	
File an answer for Interim Compensatory Measures B.2.a.(1) , B.2.a.(2) and B. 2. b.	X		June 14, 2002
Submit an answer or to request a hearing on Interim Compensatory Measures B.2.a.(1) , B.2.a.(2) and B.2.b.	X		June 14, 2002