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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555-0001
Attention: Document Control Desk

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SUBJECT: Response to Request for Commitment Regarding the Grand Gulf Early Site Permit Draft Environmental Impact Statement (TAC MC 1379)

REFERENCE: 1. System Energy Resources, Inc. (SERI) letter to USNRC – Early Site Permit Application (CNRO-2003-00054), dated October 16, 2003.
2. SERI letter to USNRC – Grand Gulf Early Site Permit Application Revision 2 (TAC NO. MC 1378) (CNRO-2005-00055), dated October 3, 2005.

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On February 28, 2006, the NRC requested a commitment relating to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement; specifically NUREG-1817, page 4-41, lines 8 through 16.

SERI hereby makes the following commitment: SERI will include cultural resource-specific written directions in its site-wide Excavation and Backfill Work Procedures, which will call for an immediate stop-work order should archaeological, historical, or other cultural resources be uncovered during excavation. The construction supervisor would be responsible for ensuring the work stoppage and for notifying the Environmental Compliance Coordinator of an inadvertent discovery. In the event that an unanticipated discovery is made, site personnel would be instructed to notify the State Historic Preservation Officer and would consult with them in conducting an assessment of the discovery to determine if additional work is needed.

Although this commitment is applicable and limited to the above referenced SERI application for an Early Site Permit, it is consistent with the controls and processes contained in Entergy Nuclear Management Manual Procedure EN-EV-115, Environmental Reviews and Evaluations,

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used in the Entergy nuclear fleet which prescribes and establishes the non-radiological review and documentation process prior to engaging in additional construction and operational activities that may result in an environmental impact.

Should you have any questions, please contact me.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on March 2, 2006.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'George A. Zinke', with a stylized, cursive script.

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