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Subject: Acceptance Review: Grand Gulf Nuclear Station, Unit 1 License Amendment Request: Permanent Extension of Type C Leak Rate Testing Frequency, (MF6310)

Dear Mr. Scarbrough and Mr. Nadeau,

By letter dated May 27, 2015 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML15147A599), from Entergy Operations, Inc. (Entergy, the licensee) submitted a license amendment request (LAR) for the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station, Unit 1 (GGNS). The LAR proposes to revise GGNS Technical Specifications (TS) 5.5.12, "10 CFR 50, Appendix J, Testing Program," to allow for a permanent extension to the Type C containment isolation valve leakage rate testing frequency from the current 60-month frequency to a 75-month frequency. In addition, the proposed change adopts a more conservative grace interval of 9 months, as opposed to the current 15 months, for Type B and Type C tests.

The purpose of this e-mail is to provide the results of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff's acceptance review of this amendment request.

The acceptance review was performed to determine if there is sufficient technical information in scope and depth to allow the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review. The acceptance review is also intended to identify whether the application has any readily apparent information insufficiencies in its characterization of the regulatory requirements or the licensing basis of the plant.

The NRC staff has reviewed your application and concluded that it does provide technical information in sufficient detail to enable the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review and make an independent assessment regarding the acceptability of the proposed amendment in terms of regulatory requirements and the protection of public health and safety and the environment. Given the lesser scope and depth of the acceptance review as compared to the detailed technical review, there may be instances in which issues that impact the NRC staff's ability to complete the detailed technical review are identified despite completion of an adequate acceptance review. If additional information is needed, you will be advised by separate correspondence.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-6631.

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