

Docket File Information

JUSTIFICATION FOR CHANGING INSPECTION INTERVAL

1. LICENSEE Waterford Steam Electric Station Unit 3, ISFSI Entergy Operation Inc. 17265 River Road Killona, LA 70057 Princeton, ID 83857		2. DOCKET NUMBER(S) 072-00075, 050-00382	
		3. LICENSE NUMBER(S) General Licensee	
4. PROGRAM MC 2690	5. PRIORITY NA	6. DATE(S) OF LAST INSPECTION 10/31/2016 – 11/03/2016	7. NEW INSPECTION DUE DATE 03/31/2020

Reduce Inspection Interval

X Extend Inspection Interval

The last NRC Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI) inspection of the Waterford ISFSI was conducted on October 31 through November 3, 2016. The inspection was conducted during the licensee's last dry cask loading campaign. After this inspection the regional inspectors understood, from the licensee, that the next loading campaign would take place in 2018. Subsequently, in 2018, the licensee informed the regional inspectors the campaign had been delayed to 2019. Then in 2019, the licensee informed the regional inspectors that the loading campaign had been further delayed to February of 2020.

Per NRC Manual Chapter (MC) 2690 "Inspection Program for Dry Storage of Spent Reactor Fuel at ISFSI," Table A-2, routine ISFSI operational inspections are required to be completed every two not to exceed three years. As such, waiting to perform the routine ISFSI inspection in February of 2020, to observe loading operations as part of the inspection effort, would cause the region to miss the described MC inspection interval by approximately fourth months.

The regional inspectors proposed, with concurrence from regional management, to extend the Waterford ISFSI inspection interval approximately 5 months beyond the MC 2690 Table A-2 guidance, to perform the inspection activities during the licensee's next loading campaign operations that are currently scheduled to begin in February 2020.

Per MC Section 04.06 a.) and c.), the Regional Branch Chief has the responsibility and authority for managing the planning, scheduling, and performance of ISFSI inspections in the region. The Chief also ensures that accountability is maintained over the inspection program for planning, scheduling, and recording completed ISFSI inspections.

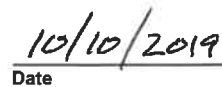
Per MC Section 04.06 d.) for each assigned ISFSI the Regional Branch Chief notifies the Division of Fuel Management and Project Manager of any changes to inspection frequencies for the inspections listed in Table A-2.

This Memorandum serves as notification to Division of Fuel Management of the Region's decision to extend the Waterford ISFSI inspection interval to observe the 2020 loading campaign. Once the inspection has been conducted by no later than the end of March 2020, the licensee's inspection interval will return to the guidance described in Table A-2.

Other Changes in Inspection Interval



Branch Chief Signature



Date

Signature documents branch chief's approval to adjust the inspection interval. This form shall then be placed in ADAMS with the new inspection due date.

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