

ENCLOSURE 1

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Entergy Operations, Inc.
Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3

Docket No.: 50-382
License No.: NPF-38

During an NRC inspection conducted on October 21-25, 1996, two violations of NRC requirements were identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," NUREG-1600, the violations are listed below:

- A. 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix B, Criterion XVI, requires, in part, that conditions adverse to quality be promptly identified and corrected.

Procedure OP-901-511, "Instrument Air Malfunction," Attachment 5, Note 1, required that accumulators for Valves CC-135A(B), Dry Cooling Tower A(B) inlet isolation valve, have pre-staged motive cylinders (nitrogen bottle) to allow a backup air source to be connected to the accumulators on a loss of instrument air.

Contrary to the above, conditions adverse to quality were not promptly identified and corrected in that:

1. As of October 22, 1996, the licensee failed to determine all of the potential water usage sources from the condensate storage pool following a design basis tornado event, as required by Condition Report 96-0086, dated January 22, 1996.
2. From October 14-21, 1996, the licensee did not implement immediate corrective actions specified in Condition Report 96-1630 by prestaging a nitrogen cylinder for Valve CC-135B, as required in Procedure OP-901-511.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I) (50-382/9624-01).

- B. 10 CFR 50.55a(g) requires, in part, that inservice testing to verify operational readiness of pumps and valves whose function is required for safety be accomplished in accordance with Section XI of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code.

Section XI, "Rules for Inservice Inspection of Nuclear Power Plant Components," Subsection IWV-1100, includes within the scope of inservice testing, Class 1, 2, and 3 valves (and their actuating and position indicating systems), that are required to perform a specific function in shutting down the reactor or in mitigating the consequences of an accident.

Contrary to the above, as of October 22, 1996, the licensee failed to verify the operational readiness of valves whose function is required for safety in accordance with Section XI of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code. Specifically, the licensee failed to perform testing that ensured operational readiness of the safety-related air accumulators of ASME Class 3 valves.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I) (50-382/9624-02).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Entergy Operations, Inc. is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region IV, 611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 400, Arlington, Texas 76011, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order or a Demand for Information may be issued as to why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Because your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), to the extent possible, it should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction. However, if you find it necessary to include such information, you should clearly indicate the specific information that you desire not to be placed in the PDR, and provide the legal basis to support your request for withholding the information from the public.

Dated at Arlington, Texas
this 13th day of November 1996