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Sincerely,

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NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Entergy Operations, Inc. (the licensee) to withdraw its May 9, 1996 application for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. DPR-51 for Arkansas Nuclear One, Unit No. 1. located in Pope County, Arkansas.

The proposed amendment would have incorporated battery and DC electrical distribution requirements in accordance with a proposed generic change to NUREG-1430, "Revised Standard Technical Specifications - Babcock and Wilcox Plants," Revision 1.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on July 31, 1996 (61 FR 40016). However, by letter dated November 30, 1998, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated May 9, 1996, and the licensee's letter dated November 30, 1998, which withdrew the application for license amendment. The above documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Tomlinson Library, Arkansas Tech University, Russellville, AR 72801.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 16th day of December 1998.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Nicholas D. Hilton, Project Manager

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