Project Abstract

A concise narrative describing in layman's language the subject purposes, methods, expected outcomes (including products), and significance of the project.

• Significant Products: A list of significant holdings available for access associated with the consortium.

• Significant Accomplishments. A past-tense abstract that describes the consortium's accomplishments, known uses of the holdings and evidence of positive impact.

The grantee must also submit the

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Instructions for Transmittal of Applications

(a) To apply for a cooperative

agreement grant-

- (1) Mail the original and seven (7) copies of the application on or before the deadline date of July 17, 1997 to: National Institute for Literacy, 800 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20006., Attention: Jaleh Behroozi-Soroui (CFDA #84.257F).
- (2) Hand deliver the application by 4:30 p.m. (Washington, DC time) on the deadline date to the address above.

(b) An applicant must show one of the following as proof of mailing:

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- (3) A dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial carrier.
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- (4) The applicant must indicate on the envelope and in Item 10 of the application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form 424) the CFDA number of the competition under which the application is being submitted.

Application Instructions and Forms: The appendix to this application is divided into three parts plus a statement regarding estimated public reporting burden and various assurances and certifications. These parts and additional materials are organized in the same manner that the submitted application should be organized. The parts and additional materials are as follows:

Part I: Application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form 424 (Rev. 4– 94)) and instructions.

Part II. Budget Information—Non-Construction Programs (ED Form 524) and instructions.

Part III: Application Narrative. Additional Materials: Estimated Public Reporting Burden.

Assurances-Non—Construction Programs (Standard Form 424B).

Certification Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (ED 80–0013).

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion: Lower Tier Covered Transactions (ED 80–0014, 9/90) and instructions.

 $\mbox{\bf Note:}$ ED 80–0014 is intended for the use of recipients and should not be transmitted to the NIFL.

Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (Standard Form LLL) (if applicable) and instructions.

An applicant may submit information on a Photostat copy of the application and budget forms, the assurances and the certifications. However, the application form, the assurances, and certifications must each have an original signature. No award can be made unless a complete application has been received.

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the NIFL homepage—LINCS—on the World Wide Web at: (http://novel.nifl.gov/Grants.html). However, the official application notice for a discretionary grant competition is the notice published in the **Federal Register**.

Instructions for Estimated Public Reporting Burden: According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information is under OMB control number 3430 0004, Expiration date: May, 2000. The time required to complete this information collection is 55 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and disseminating the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: the National Institute for Literacy, 800 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20006–2712.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-328]

Entergy Operations, Inc.; Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3; Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of an amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF– 38, issued to Entergy Operations, Inc. (the licensee), for operation of the Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3, located in St. Charles Parish, Louisiana.

Environmental Assessment

Identification of the Proposed Action

The proposed action would revise Facility Operating License No. NPF–38 to reflect the name change from Louisiana Power & Light Company to Entergy Louisiana, Inc.

The proposed action is in accordance with the licensee's application for amendment dated July 17, 1996.

The Need for the Proposed Action

The proposed action is to correct the name in the license to reflect the change which occurred on April 22, 1996. The name change was made by the licensee to improve customer identification by establishing the name Entergy in the region that it serves.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The Commission has completed its evaluation of the proposed action and changes to the license. We agree with the licensee that the name change will not impact the existing ownership of Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3 or the existing entitlement to power and will not alter the existing antitrust license conditions applicable to Louisiana Power & Light Company (LP&L) or LP&L's ability to comply with these conditions or with any of its other obligations or responsibilities. As stated by the licensee, "The corporate existence continues uninterrupted and all legal characteristics remain the same. Thus, there is no change in the state of incorporation, registered agent, registered office, directors, officers, rights or liabilities of the company. Nor is there a change in the function of the Company or the way in which it does business. LP&L's financial responsibility for Waterford 3 and its sources of funds to support the facility will remain the same." Therefore, the change will not increase the probability or consequences of accidents, no changes are being made in the types of any effluents that may be released offsite, and there is no significant increase in the allowable individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure. Accordingly, the Commission concludes that there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

With regard to potential nonradiological impacts, the proposed action does not affect nonradiological plant effluents and has no other environmental impact. Accordingly, the Commission concludes that there are no significant nonradiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Alternatives to the Proposed Action

Since the Commission has concluded there is no measurable environmental impact associated with the proposed action, any alternatives with equal or greater environmental impact need not be evaluated. As an alternative to the proposed action, the staff considered denial of the proposed action. Denial of the application would result in no change in current environmental impacts. The environmental impacts of the proposed action and the alternative action are similar.

Alternative Use of Resources

This action does not involve the use of any resources not previously considered in the Final Environmental Statement for the Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

In accordance with its stated policy, on April 29, 1997, the staff consulted with the Louisiana State official, Stan Shaw of the Louisiana Radiation Protection Division, regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action. The State official had no comments.

Finding of No Significant Impact

Based upon the environmental assessment, the Commission concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the Commission has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action.

For further details with respect to the proposed action, see the licensee's letter dated July 17, 1996, which is 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 University of New Orleans Library, Louisiana Collection, Lakefront Drive, New Orleans, LA 70122.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 22nd day of May, 1997.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. **William D. Beckner**,

Director, Project Directorate IV-1, Division of Reactor Projects III/IV, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549.

Extension:

Rule 17f–2(a); SEC File No. 270–34; OMB Control No. 3235–0034 Rule 17Ad–4(b)&(c); SEC File No. 270–264; OMB Control No. 3235– 0341 Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

Rule 17f–2(a) Fingerprinting Requirements for Securities Professionals, requires that securities professionals be fingerprinted. This requirement serves to identify security risk personnel, to allow an employer to make fully informed employment decisions, and to deter possible wrongdoers from seeking employment in the securities industry. Partners, directors, officers, and employees of exchanges, brokers, dealers, transfer agents, and clearing agencies are included.

It is estimated that approximately 10,500 respondents will submit fingerprint cards. It is also estimated that each respondent will submit 50 fingerprint cards. The staff estimates that the average number of hours necessary to comply with the Rule 17f–2(a) is one-half hour. The total burden is 262,500 hours for respondents, based upon past submissions. The average cost per hour is approximately \$30. Therefore, the total cost of compliance for respondents is \$7,875,000.

Rule 17Ad-4(b)&(c), Notices Regarding Exempt Transfer Agent Status, is used to document when transfer agents are exempt, or no longer exempt, from the minimum performance standards and certain recordkeeping provisions of the Commission's transfer agent rules. Rule 17Ad-4(c) sets forth the conditions under which a registered transfer agent loses its exempt status. Once the conditions for exemption no longer exist, the transfer agent, to keep the appropriate regulatory authority ("ARA") apprised of its current status, must prepare, and file if the ARA for the transfer agent is the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System ("BGFRS") or the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"), a notice of loss of exempt status under paragraph (c). The transfer agent then cannot claim exempt status under Rule 17Ad-4(b) again until it remains subject to the minimum performance standards for non-exempt transfer agents for six consecutive months. The ARAs use the information contained in the notice to determine whether a registered transfer agent qualifies for the exemption, to determine when a registered transfer