

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION  
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In Reply Refer To:  
Entergy Services, Inc.  
Docket No. ER06-231-000

Entergy Services, Inc.  
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Washington, DC 20001

Attention: Kimberly H. Despeaux  
Counsel for Entergy Services, Inc.

Reference: Amendment No. 4 to the Master Power Purchase and Sale Agreement  
between Entergy Louisiana, Inc. and Entergy Gulf States, Inc.

Dear Ms. Despeaux:

1. On November 18, 2005, Entergy Services, Inc. (Entergy) tendered for filing Amendment No. 4 to the Master Power Purchase and Sale Agreement (PPA) between Entergy Louisiana, Inc. (Entergy Louisiana) and Entergy Gulf States, Inc. (Entergy Gulf States).<sup>1</sup> Among its revisions to the PPA, Amendment No. 4 extends the term of the Interim Delivery Period by five months to May 31, 2006. The revised Life of Unit Delivery Period will then run from June 1, 2006 until the retirement of the River Bend Unit. Amendment No. 4 also extends until May 31, 2006 from December 31, 2005 the deadline for the buyer, Entergy Louisiana, to obtain regulatory approvals for recovery of costs related to PPA transactions.

2. Notice of Entergy's filing was published in the *Federal Register*, 70 Fed. Reg. 73,223 (2005) with comments, protests, or interventions due on or before December 9, 2005. No protests or adverse comments were filed. Pursuant to Rule 214, 18 C.F.R. § 385.214, all timely filed motions to intervene and any motions to intervene out-of-time

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<sup>1</sup> The PPA provides for sales from Entergy Gulf States' non-regulated 30 percent interest in the River Bend Nuclear Station in St. Francisville, Louisiana.

filed before the issuance date of this order are granted. Granting late intervention at this stage of the proceeding will not disrupt this proceeding or place additional burdens on existing parties.

3. On May 30, 2003, in Docket No. ER03-744-000, the Commission accepted for filing, suspended for a nominal period, to become effective on June 1, 2003, subject to refund the Master Power Purchase and Sale agreement between Entergy Louisiana and Entergy Gulf States that is being amended in the instant filing.<sup>2</sup> The May 30, 2003 Order also consolidated the proceeding in Docket No. ER03-744-000 with three other proceedings involving related Entergy purchase and sale agreements and set the eight agreements covered by those dockets for hearing in Docket No. ER03-583-000, *et al.* As a result, Amendment No. 4 is accepted for filing, suspended for a nominal period to be effective January 1, 2006, subject to refund, and to the outcome of the proceeding in Docket No. ER03-583-000, *et al.*<sup>3</sup>

By direction of the Commission.

Magalie R. Salas,  
Secretary.

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<sup>2</sup> *Entergy Services, Inc.*, 103 FERC ¶ 61,256 (2003) (May 30, 2003 Order).

<sup>3</sup> On June 30, 2005, an Initial Decision was issued in this proceeding, *Entergy Services, Inc.*, 111 FERC ¶ 63,077 (2005).