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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20426

Re:    Entergy Services, Inc.; Docket No. ER05-1065-000  
      Report of AFC-Related Error

Dear Secretary Bose:

Pursuant to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's ("Commission") April 24, 2006 Order in *Entergy Services, Inc.*, 115 FERC ¶ 61,095 (2006) ("April 24 Order"), Entergy Services, Inc., acting as agent for the Entergy Operating Companies,<sup>1</sup> hereby notifies the Commission it has recently become aware of an error involving a software application that updates the zonal imports limit file for WOTAB and AMITE SOUTH that is used by RFCALC.

In the April 24 Order, the Commission conditionally accepted Entergy's proposal to establish an Independent Coordinator of Transmission ("ICT") for the Entergy System. As the Commission is aware, the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. acts as Entergy's ICT. In the April 24 Order, the Commission imposed an obligation for Entergy to "notify the Commission, the ICT and the Users Group within 15 days if Entergy discovers that it has lost data, or reported inaccurate data, or otherwise believes that it has mismanaged data." *See* April 24 Order at P 110. Accordingly, Entergy submits the following explanation of a software error that Entergy believes resulted in the mismanagement of the zonal imports limit file on August 1, 2 and 3, 2008.

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<sup>1</sup> The Entergy Operating Companies include: Entergy Arkansas, Inc., Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, LLC, Entergy Louisiana, LLC, Entergy Mississippi, Inc., Entergy New Orleans, Inc., and Entergy Texas, Inc. The Entergy Operating Companies and Entergy Services, Inc. are referred to collectively herein as "Entergy."

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### **Zonal Import Limits File Error**

On August 4, 2008, Entergy staff determined that the data in the zonal import limits file used to adjust generator limits in WOTAB and AMITE SOUTH, two load pockets on the Entergy transmission system, had not been updated since July 31, 2008. The data should have been updated on August 1, 2008. Entergy Staff determined that the reason the file failed to be updated was that a software license for a program used in the automated update of the zonal import limits file had expired on July 31, 2008.

The failure of the zonal import limits file to be updated on August 1, 2008 resulted in the file created on July 31, 2008 being used by RFCALC for the next three days. Changes in zonal import limits made after the file's creation on July 31, 2008 were not modeled until August 4, 2008. This may have impacted the granting or denial of transmission service on August 1, 2 and 3, 2008.

The expired license was updated on August 4, 2008 and the automated update process resumed working normally. Additionally, Entergy personnel created a new zonal import limits file on August 4, 2008 that was used in the RFCALC process for that day.

In the event that further information is needed, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,  
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cc: Southwest Power Pool, Inc.  
ICT Users Group  
Service List; Docket No. ER05-1065-000

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this 19th day of August, 2008, served the foregoing document upon the Southwest Power Pool, Inc., the ICT Users Group, and each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding.

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