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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 Errors

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 OASIS issues involving the mismanagement of data.

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. ("SPP") 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 recently discovered issues involving AFC related errors.

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

**Load Forecast Input File**

On November 7, 2007, at 2:15 pm, Entergy became aware that the load forecast input file had not updated since the previous day. Normally, the load forecast input file updates on a daily basis. As a result of the load forecast file's failure to update, on November 7, RFCALC resynchronizations for the Operating and Planning Horizons were made using stale data.

Entergy's RFLOADER software application copies the load forecast data file from a File Transfer Protocol ("FTP") location into a local computer server. Due to human error, the input file location was improperly identified as a local server. Consequently, RFLOADER was using stale data contained on a local server rather than accessing the updated information from the FTP location.

Entergy staff corrected the incorrect FTP reference at 2:40 pm for the Planning Horizon and at 3:15 pm for the Operating Horizon. Stale load forecast input files were in use from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm on November 7.

**Availability of Next Day Schedules**

On November 7, 2007, after the 2:15 pm Operating Horizon resynchronization, the ICT contacted Entergy and questioned the AFC calculated for November 8, 2007. It was discovered that the Operating Horizon resynchronization had not rolled into the next day. For resynchronizations after noon, the RFCALC Operating Horizon includes the remaining hours of the current day and all hours of the next day.

After investigation, it was discovered that due to human error, the availability of next day schedules was improperly set at 6:00 pm instead of noon. The fix for this error was implemented at 3:15 pm on November 7.

The impact was limited to the hours from noon to 6:00 pm on November 6 and from noon to 3:30 pm on November 7, during which times unscheduled firm reservations were not released for non-firm sale.

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 23rd day of November, 2007, 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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