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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 Load Forecast Data Archives

## 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, hereby notifies the Commission it has recently became aware of an RFCALC issue that has resulted in 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. 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 recently discovered issue involving reservations accepted or counter-offered prior to an RFCALC resynchronization and then removed (withdrawn, annulled, recalled or retracted) after an RFCALC resynchronization but prior to the OASIS Automation ("OA") resynchronization.

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."

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On August 29, 2007, Entergy received a remedy ticket submitted by the ICT after normal business hours on August 28, 2007. The remedy ticket described a problem with the processing of accepted or counter-offered reservations that were subsequently removed after an RFCALC resynchronization but before an OA resynchronization. OA would incorrectly reflect a negative impact of the reservation (that had been removed) on the Available Flowgate Capacity ("AFC"), thereby incorrectly showing an increased AFC for the amount of the impact. Additionally, if these types of reservations were removed during the OA resynchronization, the AFC amount improperly reflected twice the impact of the reservation, once as a commitment (the initial request) and once as a new reservation. If the removal occurred after the OA resynchronization but before the next RFCALC resynchronization, then the system would process the requests correctly. This OA issue is caused by an underlying software logic error in OA. Entergy believes that this error arose when the software was modified to send only confirmed requests and not accepted or counteroffered requests to RFCALC.

The effect of these reservations being processed improperly is to overstate the amount of AFC, which could potentially result in the overselling of transmission service. Entergy processed the remedy ticket and submitted this issue to AREVA on August 29. 2007. Entergy has received a proposed fix from AREVA and once the solution has been tested it will be placed in production. If effective, Entergy anticipates that the remedy will enter production next week.

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 13th day of September, 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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