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NRC Proposes \$150,000 Civil Penalty to Entergy Operations, Inc.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is proposing a \$150,000 fine to Entergy Operations Inc. for three willful violations of agency requirements at the River Bend nuclear power plant. Entergy operates the plant in St. Francisville, Louisiana.

The violations involved:

- On Aug. 13, 2018, a proctor made an unauthorized copy of an exam after thinking he had lost pages of the exam taken by the examinee. He then falsified answers on behalf of the examinee and submitted it.
- On Sept. 1, 2019, a non-licensed operator assigned to the plant's control building failed to properly complete a tour of all areas as required.
- On March 31, 2020, a senior reactor operator provided a key to a maintenance supervisor who was not authorized to receive it and the supervisor accessed a room containing cybersecurity-related equipment.

NRC staff met with company representatives virtually on Aug. 16,2021, during a predecisional enforcement conference to discuss the violations as described in a July 1, 2021, inspection <u>report</u>. The company has 60 days to dispute the fine or request involvement of a neutral third-party mediator to resolve the issues.