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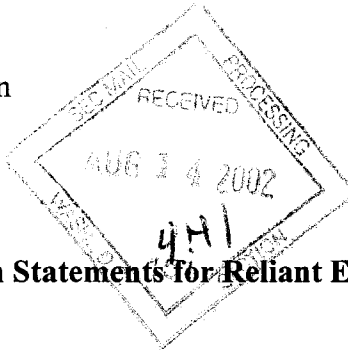
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Re: File No. 4-460 Sworn Statements for Reliant Energy, Incorporated

Dear Mr. Katz:

Pursuant to the Commission's order dated June 27, 2002 in File No. 4-460, we are hereby delivering to the Commission statements of the principal executive officer and of the principal financial officer for Reliant Energy, Incorporated (Commission File No. 1-3187). Please date stamp the enclosed copy of this transmittal letter and return it to the awaiting messenger. If you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please call me at the number set forth above.

Very truly yours

Timothy S. Taylor

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**Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer
Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings**

I, R. Steve Letbetter, state and attest that:

(1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Reliant Energy, Incorporated (the "Company"), and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:

- no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
- no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).

(2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's audit committee.

(3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":

- the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Reliant Energy, Incorporated for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001, as amended by the Annual Report on Form 10-K/A (Amendment No. 1) of Reliant Energy, Incorporated for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001, as filed on July 5, 2002;
- all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Reliant Energy, Incorporated filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
- any amendments to any of the foregoing.

R. Steve Letbetter

R. Steve Letbetter
Chairman, President and
Chief Executive Officer
August 14, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this fourteenth day of August 2002

/s/ *Debra C. Arcy*
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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