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River Bend Station  
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with River Bend Station Technical Specification 5.6.4, enclosed is the Monthly Operating Report for March 2001.

Please note that the initial phase of a power uprate modification has been completed at River Bend Station. A change in the maximum reactor feedwater flow was completed on October 24, 2000, resulting in a higher electrical output. The operating pressure of the reactor will be increased during the next refueling outage in the fall of 2001, which will further increase the plant's electrical output. Until completion of appropriate tests and/or calculations, River Bend Station will continue to use the existing maximum dependable capacity.

Sincerely,

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**OPERATING STATUS**

1. REPORTING PERIOD: March 2001

2. MAXIMUM DEPENDABLE CAPACITY (MWe-Net): 936

3. DESIGN ELECTRICAL RATING (MWe-Net): 936

	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>	<u>CUMULATIVE</u>
4. NUMBER OF HOURS REACTOR WAS CRITICAL	<u>744.0</u>	<u>2160.0</u>	<u>105335.7</u>
5. HOURS GENERATOR ON LINE	<u>744.0</u>	<u>2160.0</u>	<u>101803.3</u>
6. UNIT RESERVE SHUTDOWN HOURS	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
7. NET ELECTRICAL ENERGY GENERATED (MWH)	<u>747,916</u>	<u>2,112,382</u>	<u>89,893,513</u>

UNIT SHUTDOWNS

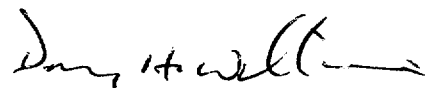
<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>DURATION</u>	<u>SHUTDOWN METHOD</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>CAUSE / CORRECTIVE ACTIONS</u>
(none)						

**LEGEND:**

<b>TYPE:</b>	F - Forced S - Scheduled	<b>SHUTDOWN METHOD:</b>	1 - Manual 2 - Manual trip/scram 3 - Automatic trip/scram 4 - Continuation 5 - Other (explain)	<b>REASON:</b>	A - Equipment failure (explain) B - Maintenance or Test C - Refueling D - Regulatory restriction E - Operator training / License exam F - Administrative G - Operational error (explain) H - Other (explain)
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**NOTES:**

1. No challenges to the reactor safety-relief valves occurred in March.
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