



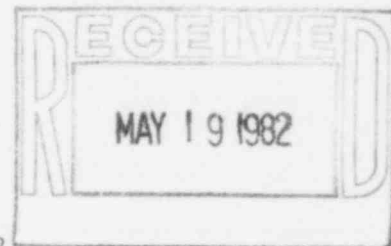
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Mr. John T. Collins, Regional Administrator
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region IV, Office of Inspection & Enforcement
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Dear Mr. Collins:

River Bend Station-Units 1 & 2
Docket Nos. 50-458/50-459

On December 2, 1977, Gulf States Utilities Company (GSU) notified the Region IV Office of a deficiency in a portion of the pump seal cooling water piping supplied by Byron Jackson Pump Division. GSU's December 30, 1977, submittal provided information concerning the affected ECCS pumps at River Bend Station and that the deviation from ASME specifications did not meet the reporting criteria set forth in 10CFR50.55(e). Upon completion of the hydrotests, GSU committed to re-evaluate the analysis for reportability and report the results to your office.

The affected pump seal cooling water piping was returned to Byron Jackson for hydrotesting of the subassembly. All five portions of the affected piping were tested and approved and certification has been received by GSU.

GSU has completed its review of the re-testing performed by Byron Jackson Pump Division and concludes that the deficiency had it gone uncorrected, would not have affected the safe operations of the plant. Therefore, the deficiency does not meet the reporting requirements of 10CFR50.55(e). This completes our response concerning this subject.

Sincerely,

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