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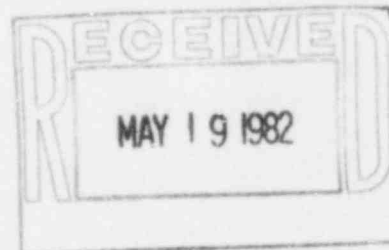
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Mr. John T. Collins, Regional Administrator  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region IV, Office of Inspection and Enforcement  
611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 1000  
Arlington, Texas 76011

Dear Mr. Collins:

River Bend Station-Unit 1  
Docket No. 50-458



Gulf States Utilities Company (GSU) notified your office on March 2, 1982 of a deficiency potentially reportable under 10CFR50.55(e) and provided an interim response on April 1, 1982 concerning the insufficient end gap of a beam between the drywell wall and primary shield wall. GSU's evaluation into the reportability of this deficiency is continuing. Additional information or a final status report will be submitted by July 9, 1982.

Sincerely,

*William J. E. Booker*  
for J. E. Booker

Manager-Engineering & Licensing  
River Bend Nuclear Group

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cc: Director of Inspection and Enforcement  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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