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

Dear Mr. Collins:

River Bend Station-Unit 1
Refer To: Docket 50-458/81-10
Docket 50-458/81-11
Docket 50-458/82-01

Following recent conversations with members of your staff, we conclude that additional information regarding our response of March 18, 1982, is needed. The attachment to this letter provides the appropriate clarification.

Sincerely,

W. J. Cahill, Jr.
Senior Vice President
River Bend Nuclear Group

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Attachment

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ATTACHMENT

In recent conversations with Messrs. Crossman, Martin, and Beach of the Region IV staff, the question was raised concerning the time limit Gulf States Utilities has placed on itself in River Bend Project Procedure 1.7 Revision 3 when conducting its review of deficiencies for reportability under 10CFR50.55(e). Specifically, the Region IV staff interprets the 10CFR50.55(e) regulation to allow Gulf States Utilities (i.e. the cognizant licensee) one working day to perform its review and notify the Region IV office if the deficiency is dispositioned as potentially reportable or reportable. Although Gulf States Utilities in practice is performing this activity in one working day, the River Bend Project Procedure 1.7 Revision 3 allows the Director of Nuclear Licensing two working days. Therefore, River Bend Project Procedure is being modified to indicate one working day for the Director of Nuclear Licensing to perform his review. Instruction has been provided to the Director of Nuclear Licensing and one working day is implemented at this time. It is anticipated that a new revision to River Bend Project Procedure 1.7 will be issued by May 31, 1982.

Furthermore, Gulf States Utilities has directed Stone & Webster to perform a review for reportability of all currently open Nonconformance and Disposition (N&D) Reports. From this review, those N&D's deemed to require detailed reviews for reportability will be dispositioned according to our current program (i.e. Stone & Webster Quality Standard 16.2 and River Bend Procedure 10.5 and Gulf States River Bend Project Procedure 1.7). The review of the open N&D's is to be completed prior to May 31, 1982.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

STATE OF LOUISIANA

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In the Matter of

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Docket Nos. 50-458
50-459

GULF STATES UTILITIES COMPANY

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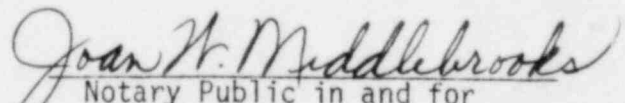
(River Bend Station,
Units 1 & 2)

AFFIDAVIT

W. J. Cahill, Jr., being duly sworn, states that he is a Vice President of Gulf States Utilities Company; that he is authorized on the part of said Company to sign and file with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission the documents attached hereto; and that all such documents are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.


W. J. Cahill, Jr.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and Parish above named, this 5 day of May, 1982.


Notary Public in and for
West Feliciana Parish,
Louisiana

My Commission is for Life.