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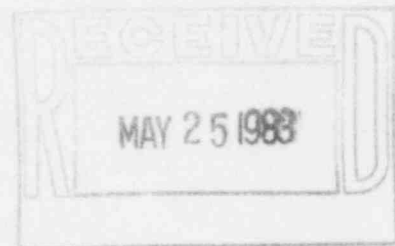
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Mr. John T. Collins, Regional Administrator
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region IV, Office of Inspection and Enforcement
611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 1000
Arlington, Texas 76011

Dear Mr. Collins:

River Bend Station Unit 1
Docket No. 50-458
Interim Report/DR-96



On February 17, 1983, Gulf States Utilities Company (GSU) notified Region IV of a condition potentially reportable under 10CFR50.55(e) concerning linear indications found in a section of tube steel supplied by Bergen-Patterson (DR-96). GSU has not completed its investigation and is awaiting additional information from our architect-engineer. An interim or final status report will be submitted by July 1, 1983.

Sincerely,

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cc: Director of Inspection & Enforcement
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