



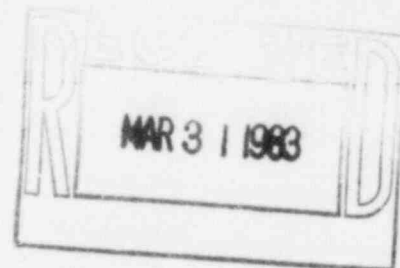
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Mr. John T. Collins, Regional Administrator  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region IV, Office of Inspection and Enforcement  
611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 1000  
Arlington, Texas 76011



Dear Mr. Collins:

River Bend Station Unit 1  
Docket No. 50-458  
Interim Report/DR-78

On November 18, 1982, Gulf States Utilities Company, (GSU) notified Region IV of a condition potentially reportable under 10CFR50.55(e) concerning the installation and inspection of an undersized fillet weld between a structural member and an embedment plate (DR-78). GSU has not completed its investigation. GSU anticipates that our architect-engineer will complete their evaluation to support submittal of an interim or final status report by August 1, 1983.

Sincerely,

*J E Booker*

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Manager-Engineering,  
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cc: Director of Inspection & Enforcement  
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