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Gentlemen:

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Docket No. 50-458

The purpose of this letter is to submit for NRC review and approval the attached topical report EA-PT-91-0003-M entitled "River Bend Station Plant Transient Analysis Methodology". This report and another topical EA-CA-91-0001-M entitled "Steady State Core Physics Methods for BWR Design and Analysis" that was submitted to the NRC on January 30, 1991, (RBG-34407) will allow Gulf States Utilities (GSU) to perform its own reload analyses. These two reports and their submittal schedule were discussed with the NRC in meetings on July 12, 1990 and December 18, 1990. In accordance with those discussions, GSU requests the NRC Safety Evaluation for these topicals by January 15, 1992.

GSU is prepared to meet with the NRC as necessary to facilitate the NRC review of this submittal. If you have any questions or desire further information, please contact Mr. L. L. Dietrich at (504) 381-4866.

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