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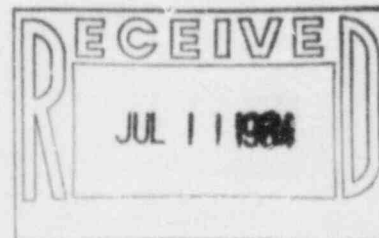
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Mr. John T. Collins, Regional Administrator
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region IV, Office of Inspection and Enforcement
611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 1000
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Dear Mr. Collins:

River Bend Station Unit 1
Docket No. 50-458
Final Report/DR-172

Gulf States Utilities Company has completed its evaluation of DR-172 concerning the rupture of the jacket water shroud on the standby diesel generator supplied by Transamerica Delaval Incorporated which occurred during system flushing. The damaging pressure spike was caused by the flush cloth clogging.

The identified condition was confined to standby diesel generator A, and the damage occurred during preliminary testing prior to system turnover. It can be conservatively concluded that the identified condition could not have gone uncorrected due to the circumstances under which the damage occurred. The Diesel Generator Jacket Water System (DGJWS) is designed in such a way that operation would not be interrupted should similar damage occur during system operation. Therefore, the identified condition could not have adversely affected the operation of the diesel generator. The damaged jacket water shroud will be repaired or replaced prior to system turnover. The condition will not require extensive evaluation repair or redesign to restore the DGJWS to its original condition.

Based on the above information, the condition does not meet the criteria for reportability under 10CFR 50.55(e).

Sincerely,

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