

**GULF STATES UTILITIES COMPANY**

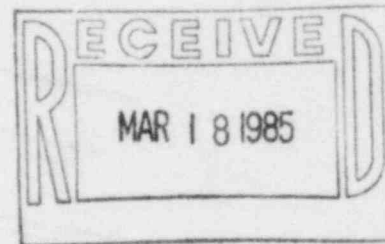
RIVER BEND STATION POST OFFICE BOX 220 ST. FRANCISVILLE, LOUISIANA 70775  
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File Nos. G9.5, G9.25.1.1

Mr. Robert D. Martin, Regional Administrator  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region IV  
611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 1000  
Arlington, Texas 76011

Dear Mr. Martin:

River Bend Station - Unit 1  
Docket No. 50-458  
Final Report/DR-278



Gulf States Utilities (GSU) has completed its evaluation of DR-278 concerning the improper mounting orientation of thermally actuated flow sensing devices supplied by Fluid Components, Incorporated. Based on flow rates, the flow sensing devices would have performed their intended safety function. GSU has therefore determined this condition is not reportable under 10CFR50.55(e). However, Engineering and Design Coordination Report Nos. P-41,015 and P-41,016, and Nonconformance and Disposition Report Nos. 10,108 and 10,272 have been issued to implement the necessary changes.

Sincerely,

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for J. E. Booker  
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