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Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Denton:

River Bend Station - Unit 1  
Docket No. 50-458

In Gulf States Utilities Company's March 1, 1984 letter (RBG-17,168) to your office, a commitment was provided to have all procedures which address heavy loads lifted by the Reactor Building Polar Crane, developed prior to fuel load. All procedures required to govern handling of the loads listed in Table 4 of the March 1, 1984 submittal will be completed prior to fuel load with the exception of load No. 5, "Portable Refueling Shield". Implementation of this procedure is not required until the first refueling outage at River Bend Station (RBS). Therefore, procedures will be established to support the first installation of the portable refueling shield by the first refueling outage at RBS.

Sincerely,

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