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OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT
NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Licensee: Gulf States Utilities (EA 92-207)
(Riverbend Station)
Docket No. 50-458

Subject: PROPOSED IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTY - \$100,000

This is to inform the Commission that a Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty will be issued on or about December 28, 1992 to Gulf States Utilities (Riverbend Station). This action is based on 15 violations in which radiation surveys were not performed as required, radiation protection procedures were not followed as required, and contaminated material was disposed of by transfer to an unauthorized recipient. Collectively, these violations are considered to represent a Severity Level III problem. Mitigation for good corrective action was offset by escalation for poor prior performance in the health physics area. However, in order to convey the significance of this violation, the civil penalty has been escalated by 100 percent of the base civil penalty.

It should be noted that the licensee has not been specifically informed of the enforcement action. The schedule of issuance and notification is:

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| Mailing of Notice | December 28, 1992 |
| Telephone Notification of Licensee | December 28, 1992 |

The State of Louisiana will be notified.

The licensee has thirty days from the date of the Notice in which to respond. Following NRC evaluation of the response, the civil penalty may be remitted, mitigated, or imposed by Order.

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