

**GULF STATES UTILITIES COMPANY**

RIVER BEND STATION POST OFFICE BOX 220 ST. FRANCISVILLE, LOUISIANA 70775

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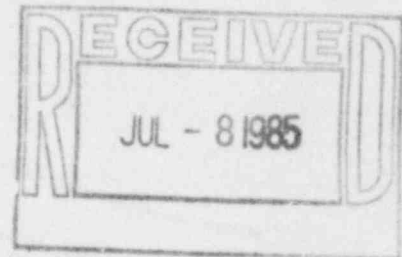


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Mr. Robert D. Martin, Regional Administrator  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region IV  
611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 1000  
Arlington, Texas 76011

Dear Mr. Martin:

River Bend Station - Unit 1  
Docket No. 50-458  
Final Report/DR-296



Gulf States Utilities Company (GSU) has completed its evaluation of DR-296 concerning linear indications in the areas of longitudinal weld seams of structural tubing. Based on analysis, it was concluded that the tube steel will perform its intended safety function. GSU has therefore determined that this condition is not reportable under 10CFR50.55(e). However, Non-conformance and Disposition Report No. 10,925 has been issued to repair some installed tube steel.

Sincerely,

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