



**GULF STATES UTILITIES COMPANY**

RIVER BEND STATION POST OFFICE BOX 220 ST. FRANCISVILLE, LOUISIANA 70775  
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July 24, 1985  
REG- 21660  
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-316

Gulf States Utilities Company (GSU) has completed its evaluation of DR-316 concerning oversized springs for piston check valves supplied by Velan Valve Corporation for the reactor plant floor drain system. This condition would result in failure of the check valve to open under normal system pressure. GSU has evaluated this condition and has determined it would not adversely affect the safe operations of the plant and concludes this condition is not reportable under 10CFR50.55(e). However, new springs have been installed in the valves in accordance with Nonconformance and Disposition Report Nos. 11,797 and 11,826.

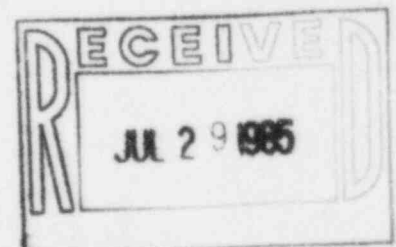
Sincerely,

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River Bend Nuclear Group

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