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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

Provided for your review is Gulf States Utilities Company's (GSU) request for a one time exception regarding the spent fuel pool cooling system cable fire wrap. The bases relating to this one time request was provided in a letter from W. J. Cahill, Jr. to H. R. Denton dated June 13, 1985 (RBG-21281) and has been previously discussed with your Staff. Enclosure 1 to this letter provides a mark up of the River Bend Station Technical Specifications.

Sincerely,

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ENCLOSURE 1

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PLANT SYSTEMS

3/4.7.7 FIRE-RATED ASSEMBLIES

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LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

3.7.7 All fire barrier assemblies shall be OPERABLE.* Fire barrier assemblies include:

- a. Walls, floors/ceilings, cable tray enclosures, and other fire barriers that separate safety-related fire areas or that separate portions of redundant systems, important to safe shutdown, within a fire area, and
- b. All sealing devices in fire-rated assembly penetrations, including fire doors and fire dampers and cable, piping and ventilation duct penetration seals, and ventilation seals.

APPLICABILITY: At all times.

ACTION:

- a. With one or more of the above required fire-rated assemblies or sealing devices inoperable, within 1 hour establish a continuous fire watch on at least one side of the affected assembly and/or sealing device or verify the OPERABILITY of fire detectors on at least one side of the inoperable assembly or sealing device, and establish an hourly fire watch patrol.
- b. The provisions of Specifications 3.0.3 and 3.0.4 are not applicable.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

4.7.7.1 Each of the above required fire-rated assemblies and penetration sealing devices shall be verified OPERABLE at least once per 18 months by performing a visual inspection of:

- a. The exposed surfaces of each fire-rated assembly.
- b. Each fire damper and associated hardware.
- c. At least 10 percent of each type of sealed penetration. If changes in appearance or abnormal degradations are found, a visual inspection of an additional 10 percent of each type of sealed penetration shall be made. This inspection process shall continue until a 10 percent sample is found with no apparent changes in appearance or abnormal degradation. Samples shall be selected such that each penetration seal will be inspected at least once per 15 years.

* The Fuel Pool Cooling System cable fire wrap is not required to be OPERABLE until October 31, 1985

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

4.7.7.2 Each of the above required fire doors shall be verified OPERABLE by inspecting the automatic hold-open, release and closing mechanism and latches at least once per 6 months, and by verifying:

- a. At least once per 31 days, the OPERABILITY of the fire door supervision system for each electrically supervised fire door by performing a CHANNEL FUNCTIONAL TEST.
- b. At least once per 7 days, that each locked-closed fire door is closed.
- c. At least once per 24 hours, that doors with automatic hold-open and release mechanisms are free of obstructions and, at least once per 18 months, by performing a functional test of these mechanisms.
- d. At least once per 24 hours, that each unlocked fire door without electrical supervision is closed.

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