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River Bend Station
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with River Bend Station Technical Specification 5.6.4, enclosed is the Monthly Operating Report for March 2001.

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Sincerely,

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OPERATING STATUS

1. REPORTING PERIOD: March 2001
2. MAXIMUM DEPENDABLE CAPACITY (MWe-Net): 936
3. DESIGN ELECTRICAL RATING (MWe-Net): 936

	MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	CUMULATIVE
4. NUMBER OF HOURS REACTOR WAS CRITICAL	744.0	2160.0	105335.7
5. HOURS GENERATOR ON LINE	744.0	2160.0	101803.3
6. UNIT RESERVE SHUTDOWN HOURS	0	0	0
7. NET ELECTRICAL ENERGY GENERATED (MWH)	747,916	2,112,382	89,893,513

UNIT SHUTDOWNS

NUMBER	DATE	TYPE	DURATION	SHUTDOWN METHOD	REASON	CAUSE / CORRECTIVE ACTIONS
(none)						

LEGEND:

TYPE: F - Forced
S - Scheduled

SHUTDOWN METHOD:
1 - Manual
2 - Manual trip/scram
3 - Automatic trip/scram
4 - Continuation
5 - Other (explain)

REASON:
A - Equipment failure (explain)
B - Maintenance or Test
C - Refueling
D - Regulatory restriction
E - Operator training / License exam
F - Administrative
G - Operational error (explain)
H - Other (explain)

NOTES:

1. No challenges to the reactor safety-relief valves occurred in March.

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