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June 27, 1979

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Director, Region IV U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 611 Ryan Plaza Drive Suite 1000 Arlington, TX 76011

Dear Sir:

River Bend Station Unit 1 Docket No. 50-458

Our letter of May 31, 1979 identified to you a significant deficiency reportable under the provisions of 10CFR 50.55(e). The letter identified the deficiency in cadweld sleeves manufactured for us by Graver Energy Systems, and stated that our report on this deficiency was forthcoming. Attached to this letter is our complete report on this matter which includes an analysis of the safety implications and our corrective action.

Sincerely,

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Seneral Manager -Nuclear Projects

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