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Gentlemen:

River Bend Station - Unit 1
Refer to: Region IV
Docket No. 50-458/89-200

Gulf States Utilities Company (GSU) is providing an update to IR 89-200 as committed in our letter dated January 25, 1990 (RBG-32198). In that letter GSU stated that a task force had been established to determine the types of reviews to perform on commercial grade purchase orders. GSU is an active participant in the Nuclear Management and Resources Council (NUMARC) commercial grade industry group and will follow the industry initiative as it develops. All purchases made since January 1, 1990 have been and will be made in accordance with Generic Letter 89-02 and the NCIG-07 guidelines.

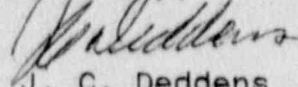
The updated status for the corrective actions being taken for the specific discrepancies identified by the inspection team is as follows. Of the thirty-six items identified by the Inspection team, twenty-eight have been completed. Of the eight remaining items, three of these items require evaluation of stock and will be completed when the issue on purchase order retrofit is addressed. One of the items requires documentation revision and will be completed by April 1, 1990. The remaining four items require additional testing and will be completed by June 1, 1990. These scheduled dates are consistent with those provided in GSU's January 25, 1990 letter. GSU's review of these items, along with those reviewed by the procurement inspection team, have revealed no concerns which affect the safe operation of River Bend Station - Unit 1.

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