APPENDIX A

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Gulf States Utilities River Bend Station Docket: 50-458 License: NPF-47

During an NRC inspection conducted on September 26 through November 6, 1993, three violations of NRC requirements were identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, the violations are listed below:

A. Failure to Conduct Postmaintenance Testing

10 CFR Part 50, Appendix B, Criterion XI, "Test Control," states, in part, that a test program shall be established to assure that all testing required to demonstrate the structures, systems, and components will perform satisfactorily if service is identified and performed in accordance with written test procedures which incorporate the requirements and acceptance limits contained in applicable design documents.

Contrary to the above, on October 27, 1993, the licensee performed maintenance on the power supply breaker for Residual Heat Removal B shutdown cooling suction Valve 1E12*F006B by adjusting the instantaneous overcurrent trip setting under Maintenance Work Order R172573; however, no postmaintenance test was specified to verify and document that the breaker would trip within design tolerances.

This is a Severity Level IV violation. (458/93027-2) (Supplement I).

B. Failure to Follow Procedures Controlling Surveillance Activities

Technical Specification 6.8.1.d requires, in part, that written procedures shall be implemented covering surveillance and test activities of safety-related equipment.

Licensee Administrative Procedure ADM-0015, "Station Surveillance Test Program," Section 8.1, Revision 14, requires surveillance test procedure steps to be performed in sequential order unless specifically stated otherwise in the surveillance test procedure.

Contrary to the above, the following are two examples of where procedures were not followed in the prescribed sequential order:

1. On October 20, 1993, during surveillance testing in accordance with Surveillance Test Procedure STP-309-0203, "Division III Diesel Generator Operability Test," Revision 9A, the operator skipped from Step 7.3.2.13 to Step 7.3.7 without first completing Steps 7.3.2.14 through 7.3.6.5.

2. On October 27, 1993, during surveillance testing of the Division II low pressure core spray line fill pump in accordance with Surveillance Test Procedure STP-204-6302, "Division II LPCI (RHR) Pump and Valve Operability Test," Revision 4, the operator went out of sequence while placing test gauges into service, failing to properly check an equalizer valve open and to properly elevate the differential pressure gauge as required by Section 7.5 of the procedure.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (458/93027-3) (Supplement I).

C. Failure to Provide an Adequate Procedure

Technical Specification 6.8.1.d requires, in part, that written procedures shall be established and maintained covering surveillance and test activities of safety-related equipment.

Contrary to the above, on October 27, 1993, Surveillance Test Procedure STP-204-6302, "Division II LPCI (RAR) Pump and Valve Operability Test," Revision 4, was found to be inadequately maintained, in that Step 7.5 did not provide instructions for venting of test gauges, and restoration of independent verification Step 7.5.32 failed to restore Valves 1RHS*V53 and *V54 to the locked condition.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (458/93027-4) (Supplement I).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Gulf States Utilities is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region IV, 611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 400, Arlington, Texas 76011, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order or a Demand for Information may be issued to show cause why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Dated at Arlington, Texas, this 17th day of Necember 1993