

UNITED STATES

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

REGION IV

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Docket: 50-458/82-12

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Gulf States Utilities

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Gentlemen:

This refers to the Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) Board Report of the River Bend Facility, Unit 1, Construction Permit CPPR-145. The SALP Board met on October 13, 1982, to evaluate the performance of the subject facility for the period September 1, 1981, through August 31, 1982. The performance analyses and resulting evaluation are documented in the enclosed SALP Board Report. These analyses and evaluation will be discussed with you at your office in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on November 18, 1982.

The performance of your facility was evaluated in the following functional areas: Containment and other Safety-Related Structures; Piping Systems and Supports; Safety-Related Components; Electrical Power Supply and Distribution; Licensing Activities; and Corrective Action and Reporting.

The SALP Board evaluation process consists of categorizing performance in each functional area. The categories which we have used to evaluate the performance of your facility are defined in Section II of the enclosed SALP Board Report. As you are aware, the NRC has changed the policy for the conduct of the SALP program based on our experiences and the recently implemented reorganization which emphasizes the regionalization of the NRC staff. This report is consistent with the revised policy.

Any comments which you may have concerning our evaluation of the performance of your facility should be submitted to this office by December 8, 1982. Your comments, if any, and the SALP Board Report, will both appear as enclosures to the Region IV Administrator's letter which issues the SALP Report as an NRC Report. In addition to the issuance of the report, this letter will, if appropriate, state the NRC position on matters relating to the status of your safety program.

Comments which you may submit at your option, are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to duscuss them with you.

Sincerely,

G. L. Madsen, Chief Reactor Project Branch 1 (SALP Board Chairman)

Enclosure:
Appendix - NRC Report 50-458/82-12

cc w/enclosure:
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