



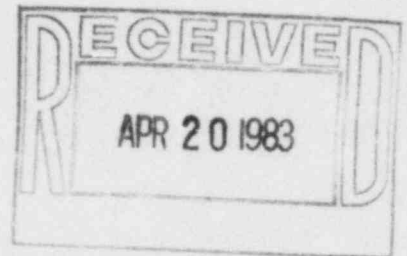
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Mr. John T. Collins, Regional Administrator
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region IV, Office of Inspection and Enforcement
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Dear Mr. Collins:

River Bend Station Unit 1
Docket No. 50-458
Final Report/DR-99

On February 22, 1983, Gulf States Utilities Company (GSU) notified Region IV of a condition potentially reportable under 10CFR50.55(e) concerning three Category I pipe spools supplied to River Bend Station by Benjamin F. Shaw Company (DR-99). The pipe spools' flange thickness are less than specified. GSU subsequently issued an Interim Report dated March 24, 1983.

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The three flanges were examined and found to be adequate for the specific design condition. GSU concludes that had this condition remained uncorrected it could not have adversely affected the safe operations of the plant and is therefore not reportable under 10CFR50.55(e). This concludes GSU's response on this subject.

Sincerely,

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