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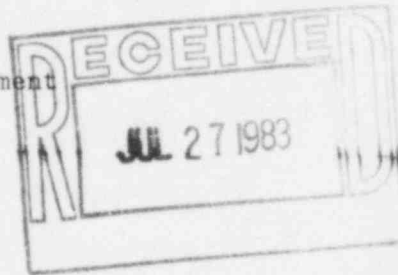
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Mr. John T. Collins, Regional Administrator
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region IV, Office of Inspection and Enforcement
611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 1000
Arlington, Texas 76011

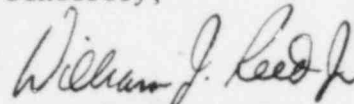



Dear Mr. Collins:

River Bend Station Unit 1
Docket No. 50-458
Interim Report/DR-80

In our Interim Report dated May 27, 1983, Gulf States Utilities Company (GSU) informed Region IV of the status of a condition potentially reportable under 10CFR50.55(e) concerning potentially defective piston skirt castings installed in the emergency diesel generator engines supplied by Transamerica Delaval Incorporated (DR-80). The piston skirt castings have been removed and inspected and are being evaluated for safety impact by our architect-engineer. An interim or final status report will be provided by August 24, 1983.

Sincerely,


J. E. Booker
Manager-Engineering,
Nuclear Fuels & Licensing
River Bend Nuclear Group


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