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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-458/91-08

Thank you for your letter of August 30, 1991, which described further corrective actions regarding clock synchronization in emergency response facilities and the use of communication aids in the Operations Support Center, in response to our letter and inspection report dated March 29, 1991. As stated in our letter of July 8, 1991, we shall review the implementation of your corrective actions during a future inspection.

Sincerely,

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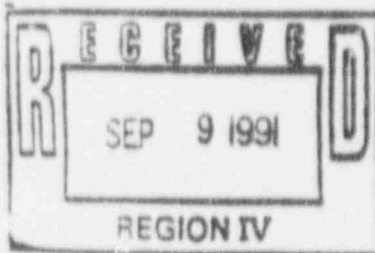
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This letter provides Gulf States Utilities Company's (GSU) supplemental response to two exercise weaknesses noted in NRC Inspection Report No. 50-458/91-08. GSU's original response appeared as Attachments 1 and 5 to our April 29, 1991 letter. This letter describes further corrective actions regarding clock synchronization in emergency response facilities and the use of communication aids in the Operations Support Center.

GSU has evaluated the clock synchronization problem and plans to install a system that will use the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) time base signal. This signal will be fed to all facilities to synchronize the clocks in the facilities as well as the Emergency Dose Projection and Emergency State and Parish computers. With this system, the Control Room, Operations Support Center, Technical Support Center, Emergency Operations Facility and the Simulator (used for drills and exercises) will be on the NIST standard. This system will keep all emergency response facilities and equipment on standardized time and should resolve any clock synchronization problems between facilities. This system will be operational by the Evaluated Exercise to be conducted in February 1992.

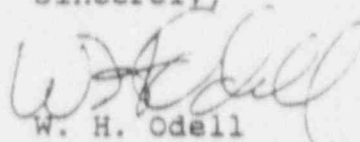
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Briefing and debriefing forms were drafted and used in the first Integrated Drill this year. Suggestions were made by drill participants to change the drafted forms in minor ways. If the decision is made to use such forms in the future, the forms will be finalized and formalized after the Integrated Drills are completed in November 1991 and for use in the Evaluated Exercise to be conducted in February 1992.

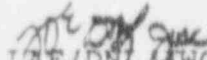
During the first Integrated Drill, a closed circuit television system was used for communication between the Technical Support Center and Operations Support Center. The system improved inter-facility communications and reduced the time to dispatch teams considerably. GSU will evaluate this system in the next two Integrated Drills and will make a decision based on the cost versus benefit of such a system.

Should you have any questions, please contact L. A. England at (504) 381-4145.

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