



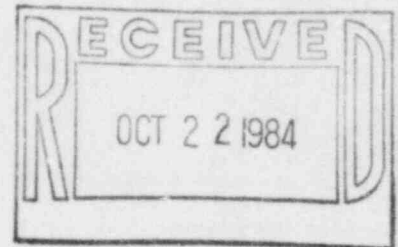
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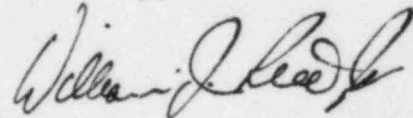


Dear Mr. Martin:

River Bend Station Unit 1  
Docket No. 50-458  
Interim Report/DR-168

An interim or final status report concerning the interpretation of W3 Welding Procedure used in performing rework and/or repair welding of non-low-carbon grades of austenitic stainless steel pipe will be provided by December 6, 1984.

Sincerely,

  
for J. E. Booker  
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