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United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission 1717 H Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20555

ATTENTION: HONORABLE NUNZIO J. PALLADINO, CHAIRMAN

Re: NRC Meeting 7/31/84
Mississippi Power & Light Co.
Grand Gulf Nuclear Station

May It Please The Commission:

On Friday, July 27, 1984, members of my staff met with Mr. G.W. Muench, Mr. J.F. Fager and Mr. George White, all of Mid South Services, Inc., and Mr. J.B. Richard of Mississippi Power & Light Co., along with their attorney, Mr. R.B. McGehee. At this meeting, there was a discussion of the issues raised in my letter to you dated July 25, 1984, as well as questions raised by Congressman Morris K. Udall, in a letter to you dated July 26, 1984.

During this meeting, my staff had the assistance of Mr. Robert Pollard of the Union of Concerned Scientists. Prior to this meeting, they were able to consult with Mr. Pollard; representatives of Government Accountability Project and various well-informed concerned citizens of Louisiana.

The officials of the applicant have given us to understand that all of the safety related items previously outstanding at Grand Gulf have been corrected and that documentation thereof is in the possession of your (NRC) staff. This is contrary to information previously received by my office, and apparently represents an update in a rapidly changing situation.

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Obviously, no final conclusion can be drawn by me based on this, since I am not in possession of the documentation. However, if the facts related to us, as set forth above, are correct, then the Commission should have the documentation necessary to determine whether the public health and safety will be adequately protected and whether the NRC regulations have been complied with. Also, I share the concerns raised by the questions posed in Congressman Udall's letter. I feel that these should be answered to your satisfaction before a full power license is granted. I ask that you please send me a copy of your response to Mr. Udall and place me on your mailing list, as if the state were a party to the proceedings.

Accordingly, I have decided against filing any formal petition at this time. I do, however, request that you take all appropriate steps within your jurisdiction to ensure that the health and safety of the public is adequately protected.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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