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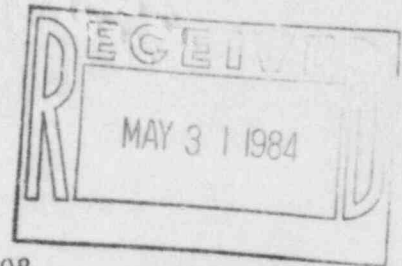
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Mr. John T. Collins, Regional Administrator
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region IV, Office of Inspection and Enforcement
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Arlington, Texas 76011

Dear Mr. Collins:

River Bend Station Unit 1
Refer to: RIV
Docket No. 50-458/Report 84-08



This letter is in response to the Notice of Violations contained in NRC I&E Inspection Report No. 50-458/84-08. The inspection was conducted at the River Bend Station construction site by Mr. D.D. Chamberlain during the period March 1, 1984 through April 30, 1984 of activities authorized by NRC Construction Permit CPPR-145 for River Bend Station Unit No. 1.

Gulf States Utilities Company's (GSU) response to the Notice of Violations 84-08-02, "Failure to Follow Procedures" and 84-08-03, "Failure of Equipment Storage Methods", is provided in the enclosed attachment. This completes GSU's response to the Notice of Violations.

Sincerely,

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Vice-President-Administration
River Bend Nuclear Group

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ATTACHMENT

Response to Notice of Violations

Reference

Notice of Violations - E. H. Johnson letter to W. J. Cahill dated May 14, 1984.

Refer to: Docket 50-458/84-08

1. Failure to Follow Procedures (84-08-02)

Corrective Steps Which Have Been Taken and the Results Achieved

After completing discussions with the NRC I&E Resident Inspector, a change to clarify procedure RBPP-8.1 was initiated. RBPP-8.1 was amended to clearly state that a reviewer who had no comments did not have to sign and return his control form to the Licensing Group. On Thursday, April 26, 1984, the change to procedure RBPP-8.1 was approved and placed into effect. The NRC I&E Inspector subsequently reviewed the change to procedure RBPP-8.1 and indicated that he had no further comments.

Corrective Steps Taken to Avoid Further Violations

Not Applicable

Date When Full Compliance was Achieved

Full compliance was achieved on April 26, 1984.

2. Failure of Equipment Storage Methods (84-08-03)

Corrective Steps Which Have Been Taken and the Results Achieved

Immediate corrective action was taken to restore the valve parts to the level of cleanliness required by project specifications. These actions included removing debris and dirt from the wood crate and cleaning the individual valve parts. A cover was securely fastened over the crate to prevent the admittance of foreign materials.

The unsatisfactory storage conditions were noted by Construction and Field Quality Control, and were documented on an inspection report identified as M4000298. Gulf States Utilities' Operations Quality Assurance Department issued a Quality Assurance Finding Report (QAFR), P-84-04-02-D, that required immediate corrective action and action to prevent a recurrence of similar unsatisfactory conditions. The QAFR response was received on April 25, 1984, and is satisfactory.

Corrective Steps Taken to Avoid Further Violations

The Rework Program is being revised to include the instructions for the care of dismantled equipment. This revision will provide the necessary controls to maintain a level of storage and cleanliness required by specifications. This revision will also include instructions which require Field Quality Control to monitor on a periodic basis the condition of dismantled equipment.

The Preliminary Test Organization has taken action to establish designated storage areas for dismantled equipment to prevent contamination of parts.

In addition, an evaluation of all open rework items will be made to ensure that all site requirements are met. These requirements include those of the revised rework control program and the established project specifications for the proper storage and maintenance of stored permanent plant equipment.

Date When Full Compliance Will Be Achieved

Full compliance will be achieved by June 30, 1984.