

October 4, 1995

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SUBJECT: RIVER BEND STATION, UNIT 1 - DEVIATION FROM TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR  
FIRE PROTECTION, FIRE AREA C-17 (TAC NO. M91474)

Dear Mr. McGaha:

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Our Safety Evaluation is enclosed. This completes the efforts under Tac No. M91474.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

David L. Wigginton, Senior Project Manager  
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Division of Reactor Projects - III/IV  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-458  
Enclosure: Safety Evaluation  
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