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Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C.   20555

Dear Mr. Denton:

River Bend Station - Unit 1
Docket No. 50-458

Enclosed for your review is Gulf States Utilities Company (GSU) response to close out License Condition #3 of Table 1.5 of the Safety Evaluation Report (SER) and Confirmatory Item #10 of Table 1.4 of the SER.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

License Condition #3 - Fuel Rod Internal Pressure

As the result of ongoing discussions between the NRC and General
Electric Corporation, GSU provided on interim response (letter from
Booker to Denton dated December 30, 1983, RBG-16669) to the Staff's
concern identified in a letter from Schwencer (NRC) to Cahill (GSU)
dated December 6, 1983 (RBC-24542) on fuel rod internal pressures.
Because of finalization of these discussions GSU revises its previous
response to reflect the information contained in Amendment 7 to GE
Licensing Topical Report NEDE-24011-P-A and responses to NRC questions
transmitted to the Staff in a letter from J.S. Charnley (GE) to R. Lobel
(NRC-Core Performance Branch) dated April 2, 1984.

Confirmatory Item #10 - Post-Irradiation Surveillance

As the result of ongoing discussions between the NRC and General
Electric Corporation, GSU provided on interim response (letter from
Booker to Denton dated January 20, 1984, RBG-16829) to the Staff's
concern identified in the draft SER on post-irradiation surveillance of
fuel. Because of finalization of these discussions GSU revises its
previous response to reflect the information contained in a letter from
L.S. Rubenstein (NRC) to R.L. Gridley (GE) dated June 27, 1984. GSU
currently participates in the GE fuel program as discussed in FSAR
Section 4.2.4.3.