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Gentlemen:

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

As requested, this letter provides Gulf States Utilities Company's response to the NRC Station Blackout Analysis Supplemental Safety Evaluation Report (SER) for River Bend Station dated June 11, 1992. The supplement specifically requested a schedule for implementation of our commitment to revise Abnormal Operating Procedure (AOP)-0050 in order to remove control room ceiling tiles to improve local ventilation.

In River Bend's initial response to the Station Blackout Rule (RBG-30553) dated April 17, 1989, we stated that:

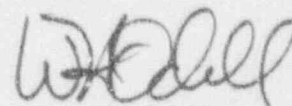
"The modifications and associated procedure changes identified in Parts A, B, and C above will be completed within one year or by the next refueling outage (whichever is later) after the notification provided by the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation in accordance with 10CFR50.63(c)(3)."

Since the Supplemental SER constitutes the above "notification", then River Bend shall complete this SBO procedure change prior to our refueling outage 5 (currently scheduled for March, 1994).

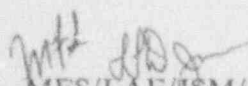
Please note that Operations and Engineering are now developing revisions to AOP-0050 and other affected procedures to address the requirements of River Bend's SBO analyses. All revisions will be implemented by our next refueling outage.

If you have any questions or desire further information, please contact Mr. L. L. Dietrich of my staff at (504) 381-4866.

Sincerely,



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