In Reply Refer To: Docket: 50-458/85-01

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ATTN: William J. Cahill, Jr.
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. William McNeill, D. Garrison, and C. E. Johnson of this office during the period January 7-11, 1985, of activities authorized by NRC Construction Permit CPPR-145 for River Bend Unit 1, and to the discussion of our findings with you and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

This inspection was a Region IV followup to the Construction Appraisal Team's (CAT) inspection as documented in NRC Inspection Report 50-458/84-23. The scope of this inspection was to perform a more in-depth review and evaluation of the inspection findings (unresolved issues) which were identified in the CAT report and referred to Region IV for resolution. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspectors. These findings are documented in the enclosed inspection report.

During this inspection, it was found that certain activities under your license appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements. The one violation reported in paragraph 2 of the enclosed inspection report was identified as a Potential Enforcement Action forwarded to you by our letter dated October 19, 1984. During this inspection, it was determined that corrective actions had been completed on this violation; therefore, this letter does not require further written response.

One new violation that was not previously identified in the CAT inspection report is enclosed. Consequently, you are required to respond to this violation, in writing, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.201, of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Your response should be based on the specifics contained in the Notice of Violation enclosed with this letter.

One new unresolved item is identified in paragraph 4 of the enclosed inspection report.

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We have also examined actions you have taken with regard to previously identified inspection findings. The status of these items is identified in paragraph 2 of the enclosed report.

Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By E. H. Johnson

E. H. Johnson, Chief Reactor Project Branch 1

Enclosures:

 Appendix A - Notice of Violation
 Appendix B - NRC Inspection Report 50-458/85-01

cc w/enclosure:

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