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In Reply Refer To: Docket: 50-458/84-31

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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. D. D. Chamberlain of this office during the period September 16 through October 31, 1984, of activities authorized by NRC Construction Permit CPPR-145 for River Bend Station and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. J. C. Deddens, and other members of your staff.

Areas examined during the inspection included site tours, status of diesel generator testing, witness of preoperational testing, overall preoperational test program review, and preoperational test procedure review. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector. The inspection findings are documented in the enclosed inspection report.

During this inspection, it was found that certain of your activities were in violation of NRC requirements. Consequently, you are required to respond to these violations, 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 discussed in paragraph 5 of the enclosed inspection report.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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

Sincerely,

E. H. Johnson, Chief Reactor Project Branch 1

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A - Notice of Violation

2. Appendix B - NRC Inspection Report 50-458/84-31

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