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Gulf States Utilities

ATTN: William J. Cahill, Jr.
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. William McNeill of this office during the period November 26-30, 1984, 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 the 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 four violations reported in paragraph 2 of the enclosed inspection report were identified as Potential Enforcement Actions forwarded to you by our letter dated October 19, 1984. During this inspection, it was determined that corrective actions had been completed on these violations, therefore, this letter does not require further written response.

Four unresolved items are identified in paragraphs 2 and 3 of the enclosed inspection report.

Only one of these items was not previously identified in the CAT inspection report.

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Sincerely,

"Original Signed By: E. H. JOHNSON"

E. H. Johnson, Chief Reactor Project Branch 1

Enclosure:

 Appendix A - Notice of Violation
 Appendix B - NRC Inspection Report 50-458/84-36

cc w/enclosure:

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