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In Reply Refer To:
Docket: 50-458/85-73

Gulf States Utilities
ATTN: William J. Cahill, Jr.
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. H. D. Chaney of this office during the period October 28 through November 1, 1985, of the activities authorized by NRC Operating License NPF-40 for the River Bend Station, and to the discussion of our findings with you and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection included the radiation protection program, actions on previous inspection findings, and implementation of certain NUREG-0737 requirements. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector. These 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.

During this inspection, it was also found that certain of your activities appeared to deviate from an accepted commitment made to the NRC. This item and reference to the commitment is identified in the enclosed Notice of Deviation. You are requested to respond to this deviation in writing. Your response should be based on the specifics contained in the Notice of Deviation enclosed with this letter.

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 the enclosed inspection report.

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The response directed by this letter and the accompanying Notices is 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.

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

Sincerely,

"Original Signed by:"

J. E. Gagliardo, Chief
Reactor Projects Branch

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A - Notice of Violation
2. Appendix B - Notice of Deviation
3. Appendix C - NRC Inspection Report
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4. Attachment - Documents Reviewed

cc w/enclosures: Gulf States Utilities

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