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Docket No. 50-458

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Dear Mr. Deddens:

SUBJECT: PARTIAL WITHDRAWAL OF LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST FOR
RIVER BEND STATION, UNIT 1

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The Commission has granted the withdrawal request and has filed the enclosed "Partial Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License" with the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

During the review of this amendment request, the staff has identified issues relating to the south main steam tunnel that are being evaluated for potential generic implications. Any need for additional information in this regard will be addressed by separate correspondence.

Sincerely,
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