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In Reply Refer To: Docket: 50-458/88-12

Gulf States Utilities

ATTN: Mr. James C. Deddens

Senior Vice President, (RBNG)

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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. W. B. Jones and G. L. Madsen of this office during the period April 1-30, 1988, of activities authorized by NRC Operating License NPF-47 for kiver 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 review of licensee event reports, 10 CFR Par 21 reports, surveillance test observation, maintenance observation, and operational safety verification. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the NRC inspectors. The inspection findings are documented in the enclosed inspection report.

Within the scope of the inspection, no violations or deviations were identified.

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.

The response directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice 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,

L. J. Callan, Director
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Enclosure: (see next page)

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Enclosure: Appendix - NRC Inspection Report 50-458/88-12

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