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September 12, 1986
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Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Denton:

River Bend Station - Unit 1
Docket No. 50-458

Prior to the issuance of the River Bend Station operating license, Gulf States Utilities (GSU) was requested by your Staff to evaluate the concept of concurrently removing the fire protection elements from the Technical Specifications and incorporating these elements into the Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR). This will, in effect, transfer fire protection program commitments, reporting requirements and amendments from the jurisdiction of 10CFR50.73 and 10CFR50.90 to 10CFR50.59 and 10CFR50.71(e). The River Bend Station (RBS) Fire Protection Program will be completely described and controlled through the FSAR rather than through the combination of the FSAR and Technical Specification. This material is consistent with the recommendations of the Committee to Review Generic Requirements (CRGR) as addressed in Generic Letter 86-10 and previously approved on the Perry Nuclear Power Plant docket.

The Fire Protection Program currently in place at RBS meets the requirements of existing Technical Specifications. With relatively straightforward administrative changes to the FSAR and plant procedures, the Program's commitments will be defined within FSAR Section 9.5 and Appendix 9A. Enclosure 1 provides a description of the proposed Technical Specification change. In addition, FSAR Section 9.5.1.4 will be amended by incorporating a discussion of fire protection operations, testing and surveillances (Enclosure 2). As shown in this enclosure, information provided addresses plant administrative procedures, periodic testing and remedial actions for inoperability.

There is no significant increase in the probability or the consequences of an accident previously evaluated resulting from this change because of the administrative concept of concurrently removing the fire protection elements from the Technical Specifications and incorporating these elements into the FSAR.

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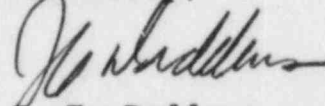
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This change would not create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident from any accident previously evaluated because no accident analysis are affected by the change. Finally, this change would not involve a significant reduction in the margin of safety because the incorporation of the fire protection elements into the FSAR does not decrease the level of fire protection in the plant.

In accordance with 10CFR170.21 also find enclosed a check for \$150.00 for the application fee. Pursuant to 10CFR50.91(b)(1), the State of Louisiana, Department of Environmental Quality - Nuclear Energy Division has been notified of this amendment request. Additionally, the Regional Administrator of Region IV and the Senior Resident Inspector have been provided copies of this application. Your prompt attention to this application is appreciated.

Sincerely,



E. E. Deddens
Vice President
River Bend Nuclear Group

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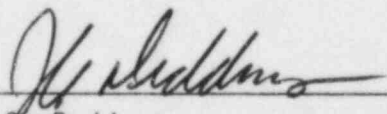
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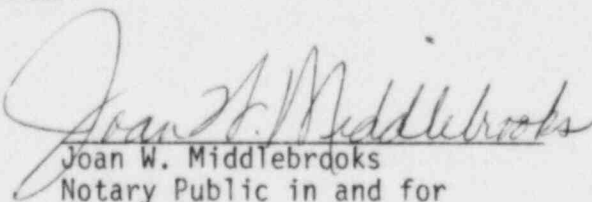
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J. C. Deddens, being duly sworn, states that he is a Vice President of Gulf States Utilities Company; that he is authorized on the part of said company to sign and file with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission the documents attached hereto; and that all such documents are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.



J. C. Deddens

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and Parish above named, this 12th day of September, 1986.



Joan W. Middlebrooks
Notary Public in and for
West Feliciana Parish,
Louisiana

My Commission is for Life.

ENCLOSURE 1