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Dear Mr. Utley:

SUBJECT: ANNUAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS EXERCISE - H. B. ROBINSON STEAM  
ELECTRIC PLANT UNIT NO. 2

Your letter dated April 27, 1984 requested an exemption from Appendix E to 10 CFR Part 50 to exclude State and county participation in the H. B. Robinson annual emergency preparedness exercise scheduled for August 21, 1984. This request was based on a letter dated March 21, 1984 that you received from the State of South Carolina which notified you that the State had exercised its option under 44 CFR 350 to exclude State and local governments from participation in the August 1984 exercise.

On July 6, 1984, a revision to Appendix E to 10 CFR Part 50 was published in the Federal Register (49 FR 27733) which, among other provisions, relaxes the frequency of participation of State and local governments in emergency preparedness exercises. The new rule requires that State and local governments participate in emergency preparedness exercises every 2 years with a provision for remedial exercises to assure that deficiencies are corrected. This new rule became effective August 6, 1984.

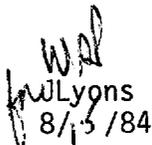
Accordingly, the exemption that you requested is not required in view of the effective date of this new rule. The NRC staff does not intend to take any further action on your April 27, 1984 exemption request.

Sincerely,

  
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