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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO THE NRC INSPECTION FINDING
SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT ELECTRIC GENERATING STATION
DOCKET NOS. 50-498/79-01 AND 50-499/79-01

Dear Mr. Seidle:

The following is Houston Lighting & Power Company's (HL&P) response to the infraction reported in IE Inspection Report Nos. 50-498/79-01 and 50-499/79-01 dated February 16, 1979.

Failure to Provide Procedures for a Quality Control Activity

1. Corrective Action Taken

Site Work Instruction 007-A (SWI) was issued February 5, 1979, to control the transcription of cadwelding examination checklist records. The SWI was implemented on February 7, 1979, after a two hour training session on the SWI was held.

2. Recurrence Control

To prevent future noncompliance, a new Cadwelding Inspection Report is being developed. This report will eliminate the need for the information on the backside of the Examination Checklist Form. The replacement form will be included as an illustration in the Cadwelding Quality Construction Procedure. Once incorporated in the Quality Control

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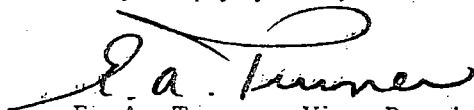
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Procedures, the need for a separate SWI will have been eliminated.

The implementation of this new Cadwelding Inspection Report will be preceded by a training session and should be in effect by March 20, 1979.

Full compliance was achieved on February 7, 1979, and the recurrence control should be completed by March 20, 1979.

Very truly yours,



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