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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO NRC INSPECTION FINDINGS
SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT ELECTRIC GENERATING STATION
DOCKET NOS. 50-498/79-08 AND 50-499/79-08

Dear Mr. Seidle:

The following is our response to the items of noncompliance identified in IE Inspection Report Nos. 50-498/79-08 and 50-499/79-08 dated June 4, 1979.

Failure to Have A Procedure for Monitoring Welding Operations

1. Corrective Action Taken

A written procedure has been issued to document the weld monitoring program for containment liner and reactor coolant system support welding.

2. Recurrence Control

The failure to provide a written procedure to document the weld monitoring program stems from a difference in interpretation of requirements. Procedures to control activities affecting quality will be written and issued as needed.

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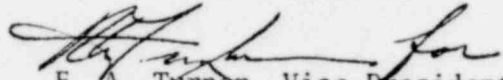
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The completion of corrective action and recurrence control was achieved on June 19, 1979.

Very truly yours,



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