

October 18, 1979

United States
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region II
101 Marietta St. N. W.
Suite 3100
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Attention: Mr. J. T. Sutherland
Chief Fuel Facility and Materials Safety Branch

Reference: LETTER DATED AUGUST 20, 1979 RELATIVE TO PLANT VISIT BY
YOUR MR. R. L. WOODRUFF

Dear Mr. Sutherland

We received your letter as referenced above on October 16, 1979. The address on the front of the envelope was incorrect resulting in our receipt of the letter on date as stated.

In reference to Appendix A of letter August 20, 1979, we take exception to all items as listed.

On the day of inspection, the Q. C. Manager responsible for the procedures and records relative to this matter was not available. Our department representative who attended Mr. Woodruff was not totally familiar with the manager's record keeping. When the documents and records Mr. Woodruff requested to see were not immediately made available, conclusions were made and appear in Appendix A.

Mr. Woodruff's inspection was conducted with no prior notice. This resulted in our department manager not being available during the inspection. Had prior notice been given, we would have had our department manager available to review and discuss all aspects of our program and procedures.

It is our contention we are following all codes, regulations, and record keeping procedures. Should you so desire, another visit may be in order. Prior notice should be given to insure the department manager will be available at the time you specify for your visit.

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In response to your notice of posting the referenced letter in the
NRC'S Public Document Room, we respectfully request this be removed based
on our discussion above.

Should you have any further comment please advise.

Sincerely,

TEXAS PIPE BENDING COMPANY OF PUERTO RICO



Michael Jarrell
Manager of Plant Services

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