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UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
REGION IV
611 RYAN PLAZA DRIVE, SUITE 1000
ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76012

September 7, 1979

In Reply Refer To:
RIV
Docket No. 50-445
50-446

Texas Utilities Generating Company
ATTN: Mr. R. J. Gary, Executive Vice
President and General Manager
2001 Bryan Tower
Dallas, Texas 75201

Gentlemen:

This refers to the telephone conversation between you and Mr. W. C. Seidle of this office on September 7, 1979, concerning the inadvertent omission of shear tie reinforcing steel from the 32nd lift of the Comanche Peak, Unit No. 2 Reactor Containment Building (RCB) exterior wall just below the springline.

Based on the above conversation, we understand that you have or plan to:

1. Issue an order, effective September 7, 1979, to stop placement of safety-related concrete in the Unit No. 2 RCB exterior wall and dome.
2. Review in detail the Gibbs & Hill (A/E) engineering analysis which concludes that the omission of the shear ties does not impact significantly on the structural integrity of the RCB and that the corrective action taken satisfies the original design requirements.
3. Analyze and correct the breakdown in the QA/QC program which allowed the omission of the reinforcing steel to occur and identify corrective action that has been taken to minimize recurrence of this type of QA/QC breakdown.
4. Provide this office with a written report of the omission of the shear ties and discuss the design changes you have made to the RCB exterior wall as a result of this omission together with your engineering evaluation of the design change resulting from the omission of the above referenced reinforcing steel.
5. Contact the Region IV office prior to resumption of placement of safety-related concrete in the Unit No. 2 RCB exterior wall and dome.

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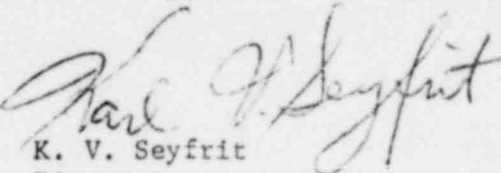
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If your understanding of this matter is inconsistent with the above, please contact this office immediately.

Sincerely,



K. V. Seyfrit
Director

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