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> In the Matter of Houston Lighting and Power Company, et al. (South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2) Docket Nos. 50-498 and 50-499

Gentlemen:

On April 15, 1980, Houston Lighting and Power Company, acting on behalf of itself and the other Applicants in the referenced proceeding, filed a motion for an order compelling Intervenor, Citizens Concerned About Nuclear Power (CCANP), to provide more complete answers to interrogatories dated January 25, 1980.

In the NRC Staff's view, Applicants' motion for an order compelling more complete answers involves a matter of discovery between the Applicants and CCANP. Accordingly, we take no position with respect to the motion and by this letter inform the Board that the Staff will not submit a response to the motion.

Sincerely

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