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Secretary of the Commission U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D. C. 20555 Attention: Docketing and Service Branch

SUBJECT:

Nuclear Regulatory Commission Notice of Proposed Rulemaking:

Informal Conference During Inspection.

The purpose of this letter is to present Louisiana Power & Light Company comments on the subject proposed rulemaking which was published in the Federal Register on March 26,1980. LP&L believes that the proposed rule would be of no benefit to the public and therefore opposes the promulgation of the rule. However, in the event that the NRC decides to publish the proposed rule, we feel that certain requirements of the rule should be clarified and restricted in scope as noted below:

- (1) Individuals with legitimate interests should be limited to those individuals who have a specific interest related to the scope of the inspection. For example, an individual with a concern related to an electrical system would not normally have a specific legitimate interest in an inspection related to welding and should not be invited to an informal meeting concerned with welding.
- (2) Invitee's participation should be limited to what are normally known as "entrance" and "exit" interviews.
- (3) Invitee's access to records should be limited to those available in the Public Document Room. Invitee's access to materials, activities, facilities and premises will be limited by the safety and security procedures in effect.

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