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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Dr. J. B. Nicholas of this office during the period October 23-27, 1989, of activities authorized by NRC Operating Licenses NPF-76 and NPF-80 for Units 1 and 2 of the South Texas Project, and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. R. W. Chewing and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection on October 27, 1989.

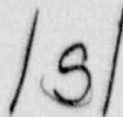
Areas examined during the inspection included startup of Unit 2 radioactive waste treatment systems and the Units 1 and 2 liquid and gaseous radioactive waste programs. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector. The inspection findings are documented in the enclosed inspection report.

Within the scope of the inspection, no violations or deviations were identified.

We have also examined actions you have taken with regard to previously identified inspection findings. The status of these items is identified in paragraph 2 of the enclosed report.

Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,



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1. Appendix - NRC Inspection Report  
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2. Attachment - Documents Reviewed

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