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In Reply Refer To:

Docket Nos. 50-498/Rpt. 81-12 50-499/Rpt. 81-12 May 8, 1981



Houston Lighting and Power Company ATTN: Mr. G. W. Oprea, Jr. Executive Vice President Post Office Box 1700 Houston, Texas 77001

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by our Resident Reactor Inspector, Mr. H. S. Phillips, during April 1981, of activities authorized by NRC Construction Permits CPPR-128 and CPPR-129 for the South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2, and to the discussions of our findings with Mr. R. A. Frazar and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection and our findings are discussed in the enclosed inspection report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

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 paragraphs 2 and 3 of the enclosed report.

One new unresolved item is identified in paragraph 2 of the enclosed report.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room. If this report contains any information that you believe to be exempt from disclosure under 10 CFR 9.5(a)(4), it is necessary that you (a) notify this office by telephone within 10 days from the date of this letter of your intention to file a request for withholding; and (b) submit within 25 days from the date of this letter a written application to this office to withhold such information. If your receipt of this letter has been delayed such that less than seven days are available for your review, please notify this office promptly so that a new due date may be established. Consistent with Section 2.790(b)(1), any such application must be accompanied by an affidavit executed by the owner of the information which identifies the document or part sought to be withheld, and which contains a full statement of the reasons on the basis which it is claimed that the information should

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be withheld from public disclosure. This section further requires the statement to address with specificity the considerations listed in 10 CFR 2.790(b)(4). The information sought to be withheld shall be incorporated as far as possible into a separate part of the affidavit. If we do not hear from you in this regard within the specified periods noted above, the report will be placed in the Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,

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G. L. Madsen, Chief Reactor Projects Branch

Enclosure:

IE Inspection Report No. 50-498/81-12 50-499/81-12